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# Town of Plaistow



## 2000 Annual Report



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Plaistow, New Hampshire

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## *RUTH E. PALMER*

Ask the members of the Plaistow Zoning Board of Adjustment and they all agree that Ruth Palmer has been the anchor for their board for twenty-three years.

Prior to that, she served as Clerk/Dispatcher for the Plaistow Police Department for four years, when it was located in the Town Hall.

She has many interesting stories she could tell that took place during her tenure, from a gun delivered on a towel-covered tray to Halloween pranks at the Cemetery.

Ruth has many diverse interests; arts and crafts, gardening, and is an accomplished seamstress. Making everything from Teddy Bears to wedding gowns. She has also worked closely with the Triangle Guild of the First Baptist Church making crafts for their Christmas Fairs.

For the last few years she has been a familiar sight tooling around in her golf cart. Anyone who has had the pleasure of riding with her through the woods, will all agree it is a never to be forgotten experience.

Ruth is married to J. Alden Palmer, Jr., a recently retired contractor. She and Alden have four children and six grandchildren who bring them boundless joy and laughter whenever the family gets together.

Ruth has been a dedicated and loyal employee who has served the Town well. It is with sincere appreciation that we wish her a retirement filled with good health and happiness. All that know her, have worked with her and continue to enjoy her friendship will sorely miss her active community participation.







## IN MEMORIAM

This page is dedicated to the memory of those Plaistow Residents who passed away during the year 2000. They have served the Town of Plaistow in an elected, appointed or volunteer capacity.

***Robert O. Hahn***

1933 – 2000

U.S. Naval Reserves

Plaistow Police Department

***Michael McPherson***

1952 – 2000

Board of Selectmen, Chairman

School Budget Committee

Pee wee Football Coach

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## IN MEMORIAM

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## HISTORY OF THE PLAISTOW PUBLIC LIBRARY

At the annual meeting, in March of 1895, it was voted to build a new town hall and to authorize the selectmen to borrow \$8,000 to finance such an endeavor. The vote was 76 ayes, 57 nays. Arthur G. Pollard purchased the land from J. Kelly and donated it to the town. The architects for the new building were Perkins and Bancroft, of Haverhill, Massachusetts. Dr. Dunham, the resident physician of Plaistow, New Hampshire, was an influential supporter, both of a new town hall and a library. It was determined that, within the new town hall, three rooms were to be set aside for a town library; a book room, a delivery room, and a reading room.

Mrs. A.W. Eaton, of Plaistow, New Hampshire, presented a memorial window that was installed in the delivery room of the library. Mrs. A.C. Titcom, of Newburyport, Massachusetts furnished the reading room. Mrs. Titcomb was the former Miss Hetta Clement. She furnished the reading room in memory of her father, Amos G. Clement, who was a prominent citizen in the area. She also presented the library with a portrait of her father, which was then hung on the wall in the reading room.

At the annual town meeting on March 10, 1896, it was voted to establish a town library and to fund it, as required by law, with \$38.70. It was also voted, at the same meeting, to raise an additional sum of fifty dollars in support of the public library. Following the official town vote, which established a public library, the state of New Hampshire, under Library Laws of 1891, Chapter 62, provided aid in the form of 106 books. These books, selected by the State Board of Library Commissioners, were the core of the library collection, which totaled 267 when the library officially opened to the public on January 2, 1897.

Miss Ethel A. Pollard served as the first librarian. Seventy-three cards were given out on the opening day. The first three trustees were: James N. George, John H. Pollard, and Annie F.H. Fuller. The library was open one day a week. The budget for the first year of operation was as follows:

Amount received from town and school entertainments	\$114.48
Amount paid for books and supplies	<u>110.61</u>
Balance in treasury	\$ 3.87 John Pollard Treasurer

After many decades of sharing space in the Town Hall, a decision was made to move the library to a larger facility. At the 1976 Town Meeting the town voted to purchased the A-Z Tool Company for \$37,000; \$35,000 to come from revenue sharing funds and the remaining \$2,000 from the taxpayers. A \$35,000 bond for renovations was also passed. After the conclusion of the Town Meeting, it was announced that Mary P. Nelson had donated \$35,000, in memory of her husband William J. Nelson, for renovation of the new library. It was donated with the understanding that it would not be accepted if the town had not supported the purchase of the land and building. With funds in place, the renovations began and the library officially opened its doors at 14 Elm Street on August 23, 1977.

In 1985, the Trustees of the Plaistow Library received word that Mary P. Nelson left a generous trust for the express purpose of either expanding the existing library or building a new facility.

## HISTORY OF THE PLAISTOW PUBLIC LIBRARY

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The town Master Plan was updated in 1987 revealing that the current library and parking facilities were inadequate for the current population. After investigating the options, the Trustees decided that expansion was not possible and that they would look for an appropriate piece of land and built a new library.

In 1993, the Library Trustees hired a library building consultant and a building program was developed. It was determined that a 15,000 square foot building would meeting the current needs of the town and allow for growth for the next 20 years and beyond. The proposal for a new library was accepted by the Capital Improvement Plan Committee and was placed on the calendar for 1999.

In 1998, the town passed Warrant Article 98-20 to purchase 5 acres of land on Main Street from Dr. Theodore Baratt for \$208,000, the amount to be paid from the Mary P. Nelson Trust. The following year Warrant Article 99-3 was passed which allowed the town to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,9000,000 for the construction of a new library. The sum was raised through the issuance of a bond with the understanding that the Mary P. Nelson Trust will make debt service payments on the bond until the Trust is depleted.

The architectural firm Sheerr, McCrystal, Palson from New London, New Hampshire was hired in September of 1998 and the project was on it way. It was decided that construction management would be used as a project delivery method to build the new library. Bauen Corporation from Meredith, New Hampshire was hired as the construction management firm. The Groundbreaking ceremony took place on September 23, 1999 and the Trustees took possession of the building on May 1, 2000. The doors to the new library at 85 Main Street were open to the citizens of Plaistow at 9:00 am May 15, 2000. The dedication was held on June 24, 2000 at which time Plaistow had the honor of having the Governor of New Hampshire, Jeanne Shaheen cut the ribbon.

Determination and countless hours of dedication, along with the generous financial support of Mary P. Nelson, have made this project a success. The Trustees of the Plaistow Library have created a wonderful library that will serve as a community center for many years to come. Although the size of the collection, the annual budget, and the building itself dramatically changed since the library doors were first opened on January 2, 1897, the mission has remained the same; to serve all residents of Plaistow with equal access to informational, recreational and educational resources.



## GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES

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*Vivian Clark*  
Hampstead

*Kevin R. Camm*  
Atkinson

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER

*Katherin K. Pratt*  
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## **TOWN OF PLAISTOW ELECTED OFFICIALS**

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### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Michael L. Emmons, Chairman

Merilyn P. Senter, Vice Chairman  
Robert J. Gray

Charles L. Blinn, Jr.  
Carlene E. Sarty

### **ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Moderator  
Tax Collector  
Town Clerk  
Treasurer

Barry A. Sargent  
Rosemarie L. Bayek  
Barbara E. Tavitian  
Bernadine A. FitzGerald

### **AUDITORS**

Brenda E. Major

Martha Sumner

### **CABLE COMMITTEE**

Henry Szmyt, Chairman

Diane Rothwell  
Devena Szmyt  
Michael L. Emmons, Sel. Rep.

William Verge  
Carlen E. Sarty, Sel. Rep.

### **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

Timothy E. Moore, Chairman

Bernadine Fitzgerald  
Steven Ranlett  
Michael L. Emmons, Sel. Alt.

Martha Sumner  
Robert Gray, Sel. Rep.  
Ann M. Sharpe

### **CEMETERY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Francis J. Berube  
Bernadine Fitzgerald  
Daniel Garlington

Vanda J. McSheehy  
Herbert Reed  
John F. Scruton, T.M.

### **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Timothy E. Moore, Chairman

B. Jill Senter  
Paul Lavallee

Lawrence W. Gil  
Charles L. Blinn, Jr. Sel.  
Rep.

### **ETHICS STUDY COMMITTEE**

Brian Levasseur, Chairman

Theresa Chouinard  
Robert Zukas  
Ruth Santosuosso  
Rosemarie L. Bayek

Lesley Heinett  
Richard Driscoll  
Vanessa Underwood  
Gail Lafayette

### **BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS**

David Sargent, 1<sup>st</sup> Eng.  
John H. McArdle, 3<sup>rd</sup> Eng.

Richard A. Colcord, 2<sup>nd</sup> Eng.  
Michael F. Borges, 4<sup>th</sup> Eng.



## **TOWN OF PLAISTOW ELECTED OFFICIALS**

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### **HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Merilyn Senter, Chairman

Dan Garlington  
Chief Stephen C. Savage  
David Walker, R.P.C.

Chief Donal Petzold  
Kathleen Giragosian  
David Hoyt

### **HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Bernadine FitzGerald  
Brenda Major  
Katherine Rell  
Anna Tozier

William C. Hubbard  
Nancy Marston  
Gladys Tozier

### **MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE**

John A. Sherman, Chairman

Brenda Major  
Bernadine FitzGerald  
Norman Marquis  
Martha Sumner  
Henry Szmyt  
Michael L. Emmons, Sel. Alt.

B. Jill Senter  
Marilyn Davis  
George Peabody  
Kristen Lewis-Savage  
Charles L. Blinn, Jr. Sel. Rep.  
T. Richard Latham  
Janis Penta

### **PLANNING BOARD**

Timothy E. Moore, Chairman

Steven Ranlett  
Brad Halliday  
Carlene E. Sarty, Sel. Alt.

David Hoyt  
Robert Gray, Sel. Rep.

### **RECREATION COMMISSION**

Susan Sherman, Chairman

Martha Sumner  
David Nye

Joseph D'Arezzo  
Timothy Bolduc

### **SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECK LIST**

Nancy Jackman

Eleanor Peabody

Katherine Fitzpatrick

### **TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Catherine Emmons, Chairman

Scott Lane  
Catherine Willis

Bertha Hill  
Jennifer Kiarsis

### **TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUND**

Helen A. Hart, Chairman

B. Jill Senter

Kenneth Thurston

### **ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

Lawrence Ordway, Chairman

Barbara Burri  
Robert Leoffler  
Peter Bealo, Alternate

Guy L. Sawyer  
Norman Major, Alternate  
Ruth Palmer, (retired)





TOWN OF PLAISTOW PERSONNEL

*Administration*

Town Manager  
Executive Secretary  
Bookkeeper

John F. Scruton  
Ruth E. Jenne  
Lorice Sadewicz

*Town Hall Departments*

Animal Control Officer  
Assessing Clerk  
Building Inspector / Code Enforcement  
Cemetery Sexton  
Deputy Tax Collector  
Deputy Town Clerk  
Electrical Inspector  
Inspection Secretary  
Parks & Recreation Director  
Planning Coordinator  
Plumbing Inspector  
Water Department  
ZBA Administrative Assistant

Donald Sargent  
Cathy Orff  
P. Michael Dorman  
Herbert Reed  
Roberta Blomquist  
Maryellen Pelletier  
Ken Ray  
Darlene Voss  
Andrew Antczak  
Ann M. Sharpe  
Jeff Paridis  
Donald Sargent  
Nicole S. Carr

*Highway Department*

Highway Supervisor

Daniel Garlington  
Glen Peabody  
Dana Rabito

*Public Library*

Director  
Children's Librarian  
Circulation Librarian  
Staff  
Staff  
Staff  
Staff  
Staff

Laurie Houlihan  
LuAnn Blair  
Alexandra Holmes  
Marjorie Knowles  
Kristen Wicks  
Jason Stack  
Flo Rullo  
Erica Clarke

*Town Building Maintenance*

Building Coordinator

David Bowles  
John Arahovites  
Mario Mejia

# TOWN OF PLAISTOW APPOINTED PERSONNEL

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## SAFETY COMPLEX PERSONNEL

### *Fire Department*

Fire Chief	EMT	Donald Petzold
Deputy Chief	EMT	David Sargent
Captain	EMT	Richard Colcord
Captain	EMT	John McArdle
Lieutenant	EMT	Michael Borges
Lieutenant	EMT-Paramedic	Jon Lovett
Lieutenant	EMT	Michael Kennedy
Fire Fighter	EMT	Robert Agenta
Fire Fighter		Anthony Alvino
Fire Fighter	EMT	Thomas Blinn
Fire Fighter	EMT	Jeannette Borges
Fire Fighter	EMT	Gary Carbinneau
Fire Fighter		Robert Choojian
Fire Fighter	EMT	David Florin
Fire Fighter	EMT-Paramedic	Jason Gionet
Fire Fighter	EMT	Linda Guide
Fire Fighter		Bruce Gusler, Sr.
Fire Fighter		Bruce Gusler, Jr.
Fire Fighter		Jay Guzofski
Fire Fighter	EMT	Don Hutchinson
Fire Fighter		Richard Johnson
Fire Fighter	EMT	Jon Judson III
Fire Fighter	EMT	Chris Karampatsos
Fire Fighter	EMT-Paramedic	Glenn Keenan
Fire Fighter	EMT	Robert K. Lang
Fire Fighter	EMT	Paul McKendry
Fire Fighter		Ernest Morin
Fire Fighter		Robert Newhouse
Fire Fighter	EMT	Gardiner Owen
Fire Fighter		George A. Peabody
Fire Fighter	EMT	Christopher Poloquin
Fire Fighter	EMT	Daniel Poloquin
Fire Fighter	EMT	Chad Putney
Fire Fighter	EMT	William T. Scully
Fire Fighter	EMT	Irvin R. Senter
Fire Fighter	EMT	John Sproul
Fire Fighter		Scott Sullivan
Fire Fighter		John R. Wood
Chaplain		Rev. Louis Drew

# TOWN OF PLAISTOW APPOINTED PERSONNEL

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## SAFETY COMPLEX PERSONNEL

### *Police Department*

Police Chief  
Lieutenant  
Sergeant  
Sergeant  
Sergeant  
Officer  
Officer  
Officer  
Detective  
Officer  
Officer  
Officer  
Officer  
Officer  
Part-time Officer  
Part-time Officer  
Part-time Officer  
Part-time Officer  
Part-time Officer  
Part-time Officer  
Part-time Officer  
Victim Witness Advocate  
Matron  
School Crossing Guard

Stephen C. Savage  
Kathleen Jones  
Thomas Hawthorne  
Patrick Caggiano  
Scott Anderson  
Michael Beauchesne  
John Lavoie  
Joan Marsilia  
Glenn Miller  
Alec Porter  
Steven Ranlett  
Valquerio Eiro, Jr.  
Brett Morgan  
George Wickson  
Kristian Hanley  
George Lorden  
Walter Pare  
John Tetreault  
Dorothy Cronin  
Justin Paquette  
Rebecca Coran  
Vanessa Underwood  
Margo Collins  
Gilbert Brasil

### *Communications*

Supervisor  
Full-time  
Full-time  
Full-time  
Full-time  
Part-time  
Part-time

Lucia Theberge  
Cherie Chevalier  
Joel Albair  
Nicolas Fiset  
Carrie Lemieux  
Jason Laing  
Scott LaFrance

### *Support Staff*

Executive Secretary  
Secretary

Paula Brown  
Nancy Hetherington



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

*Michael L. Emmons, Chairman; Marilyn P. Senter, Vice Chairman;  
Charles L. Blinn, Jr.; Robert J. Gray; Carlene E. Sarty*



This has been a year with many changes and accomplishments.

The town was prepared for Y2K problems but when Bill Scully, Emergency Director, called the state at 12:00 am and found out everything was working, as it should, we all breathed a sigh of relief.

In March the townspeople voted to hire two full time firemen. This was a landmark decision. After applications were received and necessary tests finished, Fire Chief Donald Petzold presented the two candidates to Selectmen for approval. Jon Lovett, who had been chosen the "Paramedic of the year for Merrimack Valley" and EM2 Chad Putney were hired, effective September 5, 2000.

Vanessa Underwood and Barbara Hobbs organized "Plaistow Pride Weekend" in May. The purpose was to clean the streets and they received cooperation from organizations and residents. It made a big difference in the town's appearance and we hope it will become an annual event.

The Board of Selectmen accepted the resignation of Town Manager Robert M. Belmore on June 19<sup>th</sup>. We contracted with Jacques Personnel to initiate the search for a new town manager. With his resignation, each Selectman became a liaison to department heads to assist in performing the many tasks necessary to keep the town running smoothly.

Old Home Day returned to a one-day affair with arts and crafts on Pollard Park. The Lions Road Race, Band Concerts and fireworks at night made for a most successful day. We especially want to thank Selectman Carlene E. Sarty for tying all the loose ends together. She planned the Children's Parade to start at Pollard School and finish at the new Public Library for the dedication ceremonies.

The Library Trustees and personnel had worked extremely hard to have the beautiful building ready for inspection by Governor Shaheen and other dignitaries.

Budget workshops began in August and we sincerely appreciate all the assistance given by Susan Drew, our bookkeeper. Since then, we regret that she has submitted her resignation to pursue other interests.

There were a number of meetings and public hearings held during the year for various issues.—  
Timberview Estates: After deficiencies were brought into compliance, the streets were accepted as town roads in December;

Tattoo and Body Piercing; An ordinance was passed at a Special Town meeting in September, which prohibits all tattooing and body piercing in the Town of Plaistow;

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Water Tower Rental: Telecommunication Companies are now renting space on the water tower, which brings monthly fees to the town;

Ambulance: Selectmen accepted the Fire Department recommendation for a backup transport vehicle; and

Timberlane High School: Concern over dust which occurred from the new construction, was the subject of one of the public hearings. because of health problems it caused to students and teachers. The Superintendent and School Board agreed to close the school for the remainder of the week to allow the installation of tiling in the hallways.

The Selectmen were sorry to learn of the death of Frank Monahan, Administrator, and NH Bureau of Court Facilities. Frank had worked closely over ten years to facilitate arrangements for a new district court in Plaistow.

This fall he came up with plans to renovate the old library building for a temporary courthouse. The Selectmen approved the plan in October. Renovations have been completed and sometime in January the personnel will move to their new location at 14 Elm Street.

In December, Jacques Personnel presented candidates and we met with two of them for final interviews.

The Board is pleased that John F. Scruton accepted our proposed agreement. He was unanimously hired as Town Manager, effective December 28, 2000.

We would be remiss if we didn't thank all the department heads and employees for their cooperation during the past few months. With Mr. Scruton, as Town Manager, we look forward to an exciting year for the Town of Plaistow.



## REPORT OF THE TOWN MANAGER

*John F. Scruton, Town Manager*



Most reports in this book cover 2000 activities in Plaistow. This report serves as an introduction to our new Town Manager. John Scruton was hired at the end of 2000. He grew up on a large family dairy farm in Farmington, New Hampshire. After obtaining his undergraduate degree at the University of New Hampshire he received his Masters in Divinity from Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary. After two years as a pastor in Hampton, he returned to the family dairy farm where he worked in sales, processing and distribution to area stores and restaurants. He also became the pastor of the Meaderboro Community Church where he continues to serve. During this time he served on a wide variety of Farmington boards and committees, including serving as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen. After becoming Town Administrator in Farmington, he returned part-time to UNH to earn his Masters of Public Administration. He has also worked in municipal administration in Goffstown and Nashua.

John Scruton invites everyone to stop in at Town Hall to meet him. His door is open and his style is one of building consensus and working as part of a team. He promises to provide professional administration with a personal touch.





# **YEAR 2000 TOWN OF PLAISTOW WARRANT**

## ***Minutes of the Deliberative Session***



### **2000 TOWN WARRANT**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire, in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet for the first session of the annual town meeting at the Timberlane Regional **Middle School** in said Plaistow on Saturday, February 5, 2000 at 10:00 AM in the forenoon to explain, discuss, and debate each Article and to determine the form for questions on the ballot, except those warrant articles where wording is prescribed by law. The final voting on all warrant articles will take place by official ballot at the second session.

FURTHER, You are hereby notified to meet for the second session of the annual town meeting at Sawyer's Banquet Hall, 182 Plaistow Road (Route 125), in said Plaistow on Tuesday, March 14, 2000 from 8:00 AM in the forenoon until 8:00 PM in the afternoon to elect officers and to act on the following Articles by official ballot voting.

The article numbers begin with " P " to differentiate these town articles from the school district article numbers.

### **MINUTES OF THE DELIBERATIVE SESSION**

**MEETING DATE:** February 5, 2000

The moderator opened the session at ten after ten in the morning, with the salute to the American Flag.

All the preliminary announcements were presented at this time.

Robert's Rules of Order used as a guide. Every voter received a voter card, and all votes are by voice or a standing vote.

At this time a list of non-voters who wish to speak at this time were: Lt. Jones and Lucia Theberge wish to speak on the Police Warrant Articles, Elizabeth Rose and Laurel Dymont on Articles P23 and Article 20. The other non-voters requesting to speak are Robert Belmore, Town Manager, Daniel Garlington, Highway Supervisor, and Sumner Kalman, Town Council.

John Sherman made a motion, seconded by Brenda Major to accept the non-voters to speak.

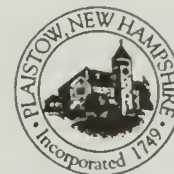
A voice vote was taken and this was passed.

Barry stated that there were twenty-six Warrant Articles, and after that, the Zoning Articles. We are not going to read all the Zoning Articles today, because they can not be changed, however, if there are any questions at this time, we have the people who could answer them for you. Any Questions?

James Holland wished to address article P-34. It was noted that he was a non-voter at this time, and he was not going to be allowed to speak, but the moderator gave the people the right to vote as allowing him to address this article. A voice vote was taken and he was allowed to speak. His question was what happens if this Article does not pass? Robert Gray, chairman of the Planning Board stated that if it did not pass, it could be written after March 14, and a Public Hearing would

## YEAR 2000 TOWN OF PLAISTOW WARRANT

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have to be held. Robert Belmore said that we had copies expelling the Article hear at the session and there would be copies posted at the election. Copies are available at town hall also.

Article P-1. To elect all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article P-2. Shall the town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$ 4,194,154? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$ 3,771,258 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the town, or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

John Sherman made a motion, seconded by Barbara Hobbs to put this article on the floor for discussion

John Sherman explained the Budget at this time. He went down the line items, explaining the increases and decreases level funding of all the different line items.

He further explained the Library budget. \$36,000 was for the operating budget, including salaries, benefits, electricity, gas, and janitorial services. This is annual operating expense. The Library requested \$126,000 for the building program, and the Board of Selectman, or the Budget Committee did not recommend this. First issue was \$80,000 for the Library, which was money received on the interest of borrowed money. A decrease to \$70,000 for the program and related items. This is not part of the warrant article. Issue 2 additional \$46,000 money from disbursement items not part of warrant article. Selectman decreased this to \$16,000 for related items. The \$70,000 plus makes up the total of \$86,000.

John Sherman made a motion, seconded by Barbara Hobbs to put this article on the floor for discussion.

Barbara Hobbs made a motion for an amendment on the Library line item, seconded by Michael Emmons.

Increase the requested operating budget line item 4550-4559 by \$15,000 dollars. Changing the operating budget to \$4,209,154. To earmark the \$15,000 to the Library's Budget. John Sherman asked the intent of this line item. Barbara Hobbs stated that is was a trade off and the disbursement of the funds from the Mary Nelson fund would be to pay down the bond. John Sherman said this would increase this line item to approximately \$102,000, and could the library accept this amount? Catherine Emmons stated that they would stay within that amount.

A voice vote was taken and the outcome could not be determined, so a standing vote was taken and a yes vote of 55, and a no vote of 16.

The amendment passed.

George Melvin made a motion for an amendment to increase the requested operating budget by 30,000, seconded by Barbara Hobbs. The reason was to earmark the increase to the Solid Waste



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Collection Budget for transportation and disposal costs for small business currently participating in the town's curbside program.

To grandfather current small businesses' collections of garbage, applying the residential limit of number of bags/barrels and not allowing any new businesses to come on line. This would increase the operating budget to \$4,239,154.

There was much discussion on this article.

Daniel Poliquin was concerned as a taxpayer and a small business owner that his trash would not be picked up, and he had nothing but paper work in the trash.

James Vitale was also concerned because his business was in his home.

John Sherman wanted to know how they arrived at that figure,

Barbara Hobbs stated that so much for tonnage and tipping fees.

At this time there is no contract negotiated. Barbara Hobbs stated that the intent was to increase the bottom line.

A voice vote could not determine the outcome of the vote, so a standing vote was taken and a yes vote was 50 and a no vote 16.

This amendment will appear on your ballot and will increase the operating to \$4,239, 154.

Article P -3. Shall the town vote to accept the NH Dept. of Transportation Highway Block Grant in the amount of \$113,246 for maintenance, construction and reconstruction of Class IV and V roads in accordance with Chapter 235 of the NH Revised Statutes Annotated and appropriate said sum for local highway maintenance.

Michael Emmons made a motion, seconded by Thomas Vinci to place this article on the floor for discussion.

Robert Belmore said that last year's money is encumbered for Old County Road for reconstruction and the project is on going.

A voice vote was taken and Article P-3 will appear on the ballot as read.

Article P-4. Shall the town vote to authorize the establishment of a capital reserve fund (pursuant to RSA Chapter 35) for the construction and expansion of town recreational fields and buildings to include the design, engineering, planning, and other associated expenses; and to raise and appropriate \$50,000 towards this purpose, and appoint the Selectmen and Recreation Commission as agents to expend from the fund.

George Melvin made a motion, seconded by B. Jill Senter to put this article on the floor for discussion.



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Sue Sherman gave a presentation of the critical needs for the playing fields, and to have this money so the project may move ahead.

The bond was defeated in 1998 and 1999. Volunteers spent many hours working for the Rec. department and feel that this money should be in the capital reserve fund for construction expansion of town recreational fields.

Marie Rabideau asked if this was going to be a joint decision, and she was told yes, between the Selectman and the Rec. Commission.

A voice vote was taken and Article P-4 will appear on the ballot as read.

Article P-5. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund for apparatus vehicles.

B. Jill Senter made a motion, seconded by Michael Emmons to put this article on the floor for discussion.

Chief Petzold gave a presentation saying that in a few years that we would be in need of new apparatus, and this was the way to have some money in reserve.

A voice vote was taken and Article P-5 will appear on ballot as read as read.

Article P-6. Shall the town vote to establish two (2) full time firefighter/EMT positions and vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,000 to fund the positions for Fiscal Year (FY) 2000; said sum represents the cost of wages, associated roll up costs such as social security, retirement, and insurance as well as other related expenses for the positions for approximately six months. The approximate starting hourly rate is being proposed at \$15.00 for each position. If approved, the cost of the new firefighters would be proposed for 12-month funding periods entirely within the operating budget of the ensuing calendar fiscal years starting in FY 2001.

Don Petzold made a motion, seconded by Marilyn Senter to put this article on the floor for discussion.

Chief Petzold gave a presentation saying that there was an increase in daytime calls, and not enough coverage, as the men were out of town. This would have the firefighters available here in town when needed.

A voice vote was taken and Article P-6 will appear on the ballot as read.

Article P-7. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,000 for the purchase, upgrade and installation of a new fire alarm system for the town hall?

George Melvin made a motion, seconded by David Sargent to put this article on the floor for discussion.

Chief Donald Petzold gave a presentation, the system is very old and we cannot even get parts for it now.

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Lawrence Gil is this strictly a fire alarm or is it a burglar alarm also.

Chief Petzold strictly a fire alarm.

A voice vote was taken and Article P-7 will be on the ballot as read.

Article P-8. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for costs associated with the installation of a donated emergency generator at the town hall?

Raised by Town of Plaistow	\$ 6,295
State of NH OEM Grant	<u>\$ 3,705</u>
Total Cost	\$10,000

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen & Budget Committee)

(Recommended by the CIP

Committee)

Barbara Hobbs made a motion, seconded by John McArdle to put this article on the floor for discussion.

Chief Petzold stated that this was a gift from Wal-Mart to the fire association, and in turn, the fire association would offer it to the town hall. This would make another building ready in case of an emergency.

A voice vote was taken an Article P-8 will appear on the ballot as read.

Article P-9. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$14,540 for energy heating conservation improvements to the fire department apparatus bay at the public safety complex and to the highway department garage. A State of New Hampshire reimbursement grant of \$5,816 is anticipated to offset this amount, the remaining amount of \$8,724 to be raised by the town. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen & Budget Committee)

(Intent: This Governor's Office of Energy/Community Partnership Grant for space heating system upgrades to the highway department and fire department would provide approximately \$2,876 in energy cost savings per year to the Town. The Grant provides 40% reimbursement of the total cost or \$ 5,816.)

Merilyn Senter made a motion, seconded by George Melvin to put this article on the floor for discussion.

Barbara Hobbs made a motion to amend this article seconded by John McArdle

Delete the second sentence – A state of New Hampshire reimbursement grant of \$5,816 is anticipated to offset this amount, the remaining amount of \$8,724 to be raised by the town.

Delete the corresponding language in the parenthesis entitled – Intent. New Intent would read: Space heating system upgrades to the highway department and fire department would provide approximately \$2,876 in energy cost savings per year to the Town.



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Deleting recommendations of the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee

Barbara Hobbs made this last motion, seconded by Michael Emmons

A voice vote was taken and Article P-9 will read as amended on the ballot. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate \$14,540 for energy heating conservation improvements to the fire department apparatus bay at the public safety complex and to the highway department garage.

Article P-10. Shall the town vote to establish a full time maintenance (janitor) position to handle additional town building care duties to include the new town library and vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to fund the position for Fiscal Year (FY) 2000; said sum represents the cost of wages and associated roll up costs such as Social Security, retirement, and insurance for approximately nine months. The approximate starting hourly rate is being proposed at \$10.00 for this position. If approved, the cost of this new position would be proposed for 12-month funding periods entirely within the operating budget of the ensuing calendar fiscal years starting in FY 2001.

Thomas Vinci made a motion seconded by Brenda Major to put this article on the floor for discussion

Walter Whalen asked if this was double counting, money in the operating budget and this warrant article.

Barbara Hobbs stated that the amount of the warrant article was reduced so this would not be double counting.

A voice vote was taken and Article P-10 will be on the ballot as read.

Article P-11. Shall the Town vote to establish a part time Victim Witness Advocate position for the Police Department and vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to fund the position for FY 2000 which represents the wages at a \$16.00 per hourly rate and associated roll up costs such as Social Security and Medicare for approximately eight months. If approved the cost of this new position would be proposed for 12-month funding periods entirely within the operating budget of the ensuing calendar fiscal years starting in FY 2001.

Martha Sumner made a motion, seconded by Brenda Major to put this article on the floor for discussion.

Chief Savage made a presentation.

The Victim Witness advocate position was started five years ago as a volunteer position. Then three years ago, it became a paid position by a grant.

This position is much needed due to the increase in volume. She is an advocate between the citizen and the courts, and is a referral to other services needed.

A voice vote was taken and Article P-11 will be on the ballot as read.

Article P-12. Shall the town vote to establish a new full time Police Department Emergency Dispatcher position (for police, fire, ambulance emergency dispatching) and vote to raise and



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appropriate the sum of \$11,000, which represents wages and associated roll up costs such as Social Security, retirement, and insurance for approximately six months. The approximate starting hourly rate by union contract would be \$10.75. If approved the cost of the new position would be proposed for 12-month funding period entirely within the operating budget of the ensuing calendar fiscal years starting in FY 2001.

Martha Sumner made a motion, seconded by Dale Lafayette to put this article on the floor for discussion.

Chief Savage made a presentation stated increase in calls, walk-ins, and fire calls,

A voice vote was taken and Article P-12 will be on the ballot as read

Article P-13. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,000 for the Police Department for the purchase of replacement Police Department building/cell security cameras and two video cruiser cameras and associated equipment which cost is to be fully funded through a revenue off set from the Town of Plaistow Police Department Drug Asset- Forfeiture Fund.

Raised by Town of Plaistow	\$ 0
Police Asset Fund	<u>\$ 18,000</u>
Total Cost	\$ 18,000

John Sherman made a motion, and seconded by George Melvin to put this article on the floor for discussion.

Chief Savage made a presentation stating that the current units were outdated, and they were failing in certain sections.

A voice vote was taken and Article P-13 will be on ballot as read.

Article P-14. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,244 for the Police Department for radar units of which \$10,119 will be reimbursable under the Federal Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) (90%-10% grant match)?

Raised by Town of Plaistow	\$1,125
Federal Grant	<u>\$10,119</u>
Total Cost	\$11,244

Michael Emmons made a motion, seconded by George Melvin to put this article on the floor for discussion.

Chief Savage made a presentation, the Federal Grant was approximately \$10,000 to \$12,000. All five units needed replacing.

A voice vote was taken and Article P-14 will be on the ballot as read.

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Article P-15. Shall the town vote to approve the cost items in the one (1) year collective bargaining agreement between the Town of Plaistow and the Police (Teamsters) Union, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

<u>Fiscal Year 2000</u>	<u>Estimated Increases</u>
Salaries	\$ 26,799
Roll up Costs	<u>3,028</u>
	\$ 29,827
INFO for FY 2001	
Salaries	\$ 10,589
Roll up Costs	\$ 1,377

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 29,827 for the 2000 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen & Budget Committee)

(Intent: This agreement represents wage increases and other benefit changes for the Teamsters union membership that includes police officers, dispatchers, and a secretary.)

Barbara Hobbs made a motion, seconded by Merilyn Senter to put this article on the floor for discussion.

A voice vote was taken and Article P15 will appear on the ballot as read.

Article P-16. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,076 to increase the Tax Collector's salary by \$1,000 from \$19,425 to \$20,425. The additional \$ 76 is to cover town payments to Social Security and Medicare.

George Melvin made a motion, seconded by Tom Vinci to place this article on the floor for discussion.

Michael Emmons stated that this is the only way raises can be given and to cover the high cost of insurance.

A voice vote was taken and Article 16 will appear on ballot as read.

Article: P-17. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,153 to increase the Town Clerk's salary by \$2,000 from \$29,505 to \$31,505; The additional \$ 153 is to cover town payments to Social Security and Medicare.

Tom Vinci made a motion, seconded by B. Jill Senter to put this article on the floor for discussion.

Michael Emmons stated that this was the only way the elected officials could get a raise coming before the town's people, and that it was defeated last year in regards to put this in the operating budget.

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Tom Vinci stated that insurance had gone up at least \$40.00 and the elected officials paid their own insurance.

A voice vote was taken and Article P-17 will appear on ballot as read.

Article P-18. Shall the town vote, if article P-15 is defeated, to authorize the governing body to call one special meeting, at its option, to address article P-15 (Police Teamsters Union Contract) cost items only?

Merilyn Senter made a motion, seconded by Barbara Hobbs to put this article on the floor for discussion.

Bob Belmore stated that this was a housekeeping item only.

A voice vote was taken and Article P-18 will appear on the ballot as read.

B. Jill Senter made a motion to consider Article P-20 before Article P-19 seconded by Barbara Hobbs. This on behalf of the Conservation Commission.

Article P-21. Shall the town vote to amend the existing agreement with the Social Security Administration under Section 218 of the Social Security Act by excluding the services performed by Town election workers for a calendar year in which the remuneration paid for such services is less than \$1,000.

Tom Vinci made a motion, seconded by Brenda Major to put this article on the floor for discussion.

Article P-21 will appear on the ballot as read.

Article P-22. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen pursuant to RSA 41:11-a to enter into a Lease Agreement for space on the Water Tower Site with telecommunication companies for the installation of telecommunication equipment for a period of one year on terms which are in the best interest of the Town.

Bob Gray made a motion, seconded by Michael Emmons to put Article P-22 on the floor for discussion.

Barbara Hobbs stated that the intent was to make revenue for the town from the existing water tower.

Merilyn Senter made an amendment, seconded by George Melvin. To read: Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen pursuant to RSA 41:11-a to enter into a lease Agreement for space on the Water Tower Site with telecommunication companies for the installation of telecommunication equipment for a period of more than one year on terms which are in the best interest of the town.

Sumner Kalman stated the language came from the RSA and you did not need authorization for less than one year.

Chief Petzold was concerned about money being in the budget to train and for equipment for high angle rescue, at this time there was no one trained or did they have the equipment.



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A voice vote was taken on Article P-22 and the amended article will appear on the ballot.

Marie Rabideau made a motion, seconded by Martha Sumner to put Article P-23 on the floor for discussion.

Article P-23. Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer by deed, without covenants, to the Estate of Bernadine J. Mutka, a parcel of land off Forrest Street as rightfully owned by the late Bernadine J. Mutka and taken by the Town of Plaistow in error and now described on the Town Tax Map as Map 81, Block 1, Lot 11, for the sum of \$1.00 (One Dollar) and the costs of transfer, including but not limited to, preparation of deed, Registry recording costs and tax stamps. (Deed recorded at Book 2561, Page 2261 at the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds). Explanation: Previous Town Tax Maps described the property as Map 81, Block 1, Lot 11; the most recent Town Tax Maps describe the property as Map 59, Lot 9. By Petition.

Elizabeth Rose, an Attorney licensed in Massachusetts and New Hampshire made a presentation. The Mutkas bought the land back in 1955 – 12 acres. In 1998 on the death of Bernadine Mutka the research showed that there was a question of the town owning the parcel of land or a piece of it. Further, research show that there was no involvement of the town. Title showed that the Mutka's own it. In the 1998, warrant article showed the town had taken some property on Forrest Street. It showed that is was 6.3 rears of Forrest St. and the Mutka's owned frontage on Forrest St. It showed it was taken against the Luce's property and the last time they owned property in Plaistow was 1927. With the help of the Town maps and the Registry of Deeds, it could not reference what the town took. The taking was early 1970 and not against Mutka property and we feel that this property should be rightly deeded back to the Mutka's.

Kristen Lewis made an amendment, seconded by Marie Rabideau to raise the amount of money from \$1.00 to \$8,746.36, this amount representing taxes due from 1975 to present.

A standing vote was taken and this amendment passes with 63 yes votes, six no votes.

Walter Whahlen made an amendment, seconded by Barbara Hobbs to amend the dollar amount to \$125,000.

B. Jill Senter stated that two years ago this body voted to sell this land for \$120,00 and felt that this should be the case today.

Virginia Thurston stated let's settle it here and not go to court, its added money, and it's a negative review in the paper, and haven't we had enough of that.

Barbara Hobbs stated that she along with most of the board members felt that it belongs to the town, and referred to town counsel.

Sumner Kalman that there was a collector's deed on record. He also stated that the board could make a decision on how to handle this matter

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Marie Rabideau said she made the amendment for \$120,000 on this land because the people wanting to buy it could not prove they owned it. This is clearly not the case and we should give the property to the people who rightfully own it for the amended amount of \$8,746.36.

A standing vote was taken and the amendment to raise the price to \$125,00 was defeated

No vote 52

Yes vote 13

Brenda Major asked if you could legally change a petitioned warrant article.

Barry Sargent said yes.

Barbara Hobbs made an amendment, seconded by George Melvin to take out the wording "without covenants and taken by the Town of Plaistow in error".

Barbara Hobbs said it has not been determined by a court of law that the town took the property in error.

Kristin Lewis objected to taking out the words without covenants depending on what happened to Article-20, when the land was transferred the board could say they would have to leave it as a town forest Barbara Hobbs, & George Melvin withdrew the words "without covenant".

Marie Rabideau asked to what extent a petition article could be amended.

Barry Sargent said it could be amended as long as the intent was not changed, and the intent is to give the Mutka's back their land.

John McArdle stated that we should do the right thing.

Larry Gil said doing the right thing – this is confusing. This should have been a legal process, and we should not be making the decision to give the people back their land and then try to rectify it later. There were three different references to this land.

A standing vote was taken and this amendment was defeated.

No votes 41

Yes votes 1

Article P-24. Shall the town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of surplus personal property without further action by the town meeting and until such authority is rescinded by the town meeting, by public auction, sealed bid or in any manner that is in the best interest of the town.

Michael Emmons made a motion, seconded by George Melvin to put this article on the floor for discussion.

Bob Belmore stated that this was merely a housekeeping item that appears on the ballot ever year.

Article P-24 will appear on the ballot as read.



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Article P-25. Shall the town vote to authorize the Board of Library Trustees to dispose of surplus personal property (old furnishings and equipment from the old library) without further action by the town meeting, by public auction, sealed bid or any manner that is in the best interest of the town. If any funds should be generated by this action, they will be used to purchase furnishings and equipment for the library.

Michael Emmons made a motion, seconded by Barbara Hobbs to put this article on the floor for discussion.

Article P-25 will appear on the ballot as read.

Article P-26. Shall the town vote to accept, as submitted, the report of its agents, auditors, and other officers and committees thereby appointed.

Michael Emmons made a motion, seconded by Ken Thurston to place this article on the floor for discussion.

Article P-26 will appear on the ballot as read.

Article P-20

Shall the town vote to establish a Town Forest pursuant to RSA31: 110, 31:111, 31:112, and RSA 31:113 with any Town Forest proceeds to be placed in the town conservation fund in accordance with RSA36-A: 5 and to designate the following parcels as Town Forest land.

Off North Main Street.

Map 6 lots 6, 8 & Map 8 Lot 22,23

Map 7 Lot 4,5 & Map 17 Lot 6, 7 (landlocked off Cottonwood)

Map 18 Lot 2,3,4 & Map 19 Lot 5,6

Map 59 Lot 9 off Forrest Street.

Eleanor Peabody wanted to declare this article illegal because the Town voted in 1982 to establish a Town Forest and a committee and the money would go in a town forest maintenance fund. This article was never rescinded. She wanted to have this article withdrawn.

The moderator said it could not be declared illegal and it could not be withdrawn. It could be amended.

Eleanor Peabody wanted to make an amendment to delay this article until next year for further study Barry Sargent said we could not delay it, and it would be voted on March 14<sup>th</sup>.

Eleanor Peabody stated at the public hearing it was only money articles that were presented, and this was the first time they had to discuss this article.



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Summer Kalman, Town Counsel, said this was the first he had heard of it, and can't give anything to this, until he meets with Eleanor Peabody and looks at the 1982 warrant, He said it needed work to come to any conclusions. He could not make an intelligent conclusion until he looked at all the facts. The moderator is correct in saying that we could not declare it illegal or withdraw it.

Robert Belmore stated that the town conservation committee worked with the state conservation committee and Dept. of Revenue Service. This is not illegal and they will work on it with town counsel to see how it affects the 1982 vote.

Timothy Moore stated they were unaware of the 1982 vote. They want to carry on the forest management plan and protect the forest. To protect the use and prohibit uses of the town forest, also protect wildlife management and their habitat on land of Forrest Street.

Merilyn Senter made a motion for an amendment, seconded by Michael Emmons as follows:

Shall the town vote to study the establishment of a Town Forest pursuant to RSA 31:110, 31:112 II, and RSA 31:113 with any Town Forest proceeds to be placed in the town conservation fund in accordance with RSA36: A.5. Among the parcels to be studied are:

Off North Main Street:

Map 6 Lot 6, 8 & Map 8 Lot 22,23

Map 7 Lot 4,5 & Map 17 lot 6,7 (landlocked off Cottonwood.)

May 18 Lot 2,3,4 & Map 19 Lot 5,6

Map 59 Lot 9 off Forrest St.

B. Jill Senter stated that they have already studied this along with forester Charles Marino. He reported to the Selectman in December and presents his finds to the conservation in November. This has been under way for several years. B. Jill Senter felt that this would be redundant to go and spend more tax dollars.

Robert Gray wanted to know if the recommendations would be rescinded as in a previous article. Barbara Hobbs said she was not in support of this article.

Michael Emmons asked the question to Eleanor Peabody if any land was mentioned, and she stated it was just to establish a town forest. The second article goes to forestry maintenance, and the moneys were for a town forest fund. Eleanor Peabody said this was established by a vote, but selectman never appointed a committee. Timothy Moore read articles 31, 32, and 33. He then wanted to table any decision to the end of the meeting, so that they would be able to establish an amendment, at which time Merilyn Senter withdrew her article, and Michael Emmons withdrew his second.

At this time Tim Moore made a motion, and seconded by Ken Thurston that we table Article 19 and 20 till the end so that a proposed amendment could be presented. Larry Gil said the intent of the

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Article was the same but where the forest committee had not been formed, they wanted the money to be put in the conservation fund.

Back to Article P-20

Michael Emmons made a motion, seconded by Barbara Hobbs to put Article 20 back on the table.

Shall the town vote to amend the 1982 Warrant Article, 31, and nullify 1982 warrant articles #32 and #33 and vote to establish a Town Pursuant to RSA 31:110, 31:111, 31:112 II, and RSA 31:113 with any Town Forest proceeds to be placed in the town conservation fund in accordance with RSA36: 5, and to designate the following parcels as Town Forest land

Off North Main Street:

Map 6; Lot 6, 8 & Map 8 Lot 22,23

Map 7 Lot 4, 5 & Map 17 Lot 6, 7 (landlocked off Cottonwood)

Map 18 Lot 2,3,4 & Map 19 Lot 5,6

Map 59, Lot off 9 Forrest Street.

Shall the town vote to amend the 1982 warrant article #34 which stated "No moneys accumulating in this fund will be expended with a vote of the Town at either an annual Town Meeting or a special Town Meeting," to state "no moneys accumulating in this fund will be expended without a vote of the Board of Selectmen and Conservation Commission".

John Sherman questioned if both Article 20 and Article 23 passes, would we have a legal problem.

Sumner Kalman stated it would become a legal issue and we should resolve it today.

A secret ballot had been requested on the article, but since this was an amendment, Tim Moore and the other requesters withdrew their request for a secret ballot.

A standing vote was taken and this amendment passed.

Yes votes 51

No vote 1

Michael Emmons made an amendment, seconded by John Lovett to read only if Article P-23 fails.

Kristen Lewis asked what does town own. This would create some legal issues, as it has not been clarified what town owns

Michael Emmons changed his amendment, seconded by John Lovett to remove Map 59, Lot 9 off Forrest.



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B. Jill Senter felt that it should be left on because if Article P-23 did not pass this land will be protected. We as a Town have protected only one percent, and apiece has been protected by a private citizen.

Larry Gil stated he was very distressed over the turn of events as to how the thought process and voting are going on this article. We should be preserving the properties in this town. Primary land is in the north of town Frog Pond area, and there is not much development in that area. The southern region is off Forrest Street. Woodland estate took some valuable land and a road will be constructed over wetlands as houses are built. This is a major corridor for animals especially the deer. Look at how the changes have changed our town Woodland Acres and the Pipeline, we will see some major changes if we do not protect our land. The book and pages were the same at the registry of deed even if there is a question on the acreage.

Marie Rabideau stated you could not give something away if you do not own it. Selectmen gave the option to present Article P-23 to let the people vote on it. Marie stated that she was also an environmentalist and would love to see stretches of lands, and trails in this town. She passed legislation on a form of genetic engineering and it is the first in the country. It has been recognized from San Francisco to the New York Assembly.

Kristin Lewis stated you took her information from the Town records.

Larry Gil's response to Marie Rabideau was she should do conservation work here at home.

Catherine Emmons said as she went by this area, she could see that it had been maintained as long as she had been in town. Did the Town think they owned it? If this could happen to them, it could happen to anyone of us.

A standing vote was taken and this amendment passes.

Yes, 39

No 16

Article P-19. Shall the town vote to deposit the revenues collected pursuant to RSA 79-A, the land use change tax, in the town conservation fund in accordance with RSA 36-A: 5 III as authorized by RSA 79-A: 25 II. (Recommended by Board of Selectmen and the Conservation Commission)

(Intent: This allocates the land use change tax to the Conservation Fund of the Town. The amount collected by the Town in 1999 was \$11,500; 1998 - 0, in 1997 - \$ 5,810; 1996 - \$400; 1995 - 0; 1994 - 0; 1993 - \$3,000. The FY 1998-year ending audit showed \$16,468. In the Conservation Fund.)

Michael Emmons made a motion, seconded by John Sherman to put Article P-19 back on the table.

A voice vote was taken and Article P-19 was back on the table.

Eleanor Peabody asked how many parcels were there for current use.

Tim Moore stated he did not know how many parcels but approximately 880 acres.

Eleanor Peabody questioned if the money stated in the intent was transferred to the General Fund.



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B. Jill Senter said the money was in the general fund and those figures were just for an example. They are looking to the future to have the money going to the conservation fund.

Eleanor Peabody asked if they were going to take the whole tax, or a percentage.

B. Jill Senter said they wanted the whole amount 100%.

Eleanor Peabody made an amendment, seconded by George Peabody to Read: "Shall the Town vote to deposit ten per cent (10%) of the revenues collected pursuant to RSA79-A, the land use change tax, in the Town conservation fund in accordance with RSA 36-A: 5 III as authorized by RSA 79-A: 25 II"

Larry Gil stated that this would nullify any attempt for the conservation commission to purchase any land, because for instance 10% of \$400.00 is \$40.00.

George Peabody wanted some help in lowering taxes and if the larger amount went to the general fund this would help.

A voice vote was taken and this amendment was defeated.

Article P-19 will appear on the ballot as read.

The Deliberative session concluded at 4:30 P.M.

A True Copy Attest:

Barbara E. Tavitian, Town Clerk

### ZONING ARTICLES

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Article P-27. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Article II, Definitions, B5 (d) Business Personal Service Business by adding:

B5 Business:

d. Personal Service Business. A business enterprise which holds the necessary state and local permits to operate an establishment in which state-qualified practitioners provide individuals with such manual or mechanical types of treatment to external surfaces of the human body as barbering, cosmetology, esthetics, electro logy, body massage, physical therapy, and **[tattoo and body piercing establishments]**.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**



Article P-28. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Article II, Definitions, and D1 Driveway by adding:

D1 Driveway. A single access to and from a public way **located within the required frontage of the proposed lot** with separate entrance and exit lanes, except in the case of dwellings, in which case a driveway need not have separate entrance and exit lanes unless required as a condition of a special permit. (Note: Driveway Permit required from Highway Supervisor or State Highway Department; see their regulations.)

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article P-29. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Article III, Section 300:11(b) Unregistered Vehicles & Commercial Equipment by adding:

b. No more than two commercial motor **one ton weight limit each** vehicles may be kept on any lot in the residential zone. One shall be garaged or fenced in with a stockade fence or other solid screening.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article P-30. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Article V: Establishment of District and District Regulations Table 504.1 Industrial, Section 504.1B. Uses:

Allowed by Special Exception delete 14. ~~Vehicular Sales & Repair Facility.~~

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article P-31. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Article V: Establishment of District and District Regulations, Section 514 Location of Driveways by adding:

514:1 all driveways are to be located at least seventy-five (75') feet from a street intersection **within the required frontage of the proposed lot**. This measurement shall be taken along a street line.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**



## YEAR 2000 TOWN OF PLAISTOW WARRANT

*Continued*



Article P-32. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Article VIII, In-Law Apartments by deleting:

~~K. Once the need for an in-law apartment ceases, the in-law apartment will no longer exist, this means specifically it may not be rented to other persons.~~

### **(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article P-33. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Article XI, Excavations, Section 1105:3 Other Exceptions by adding (a) and (b) and a new subsection.

a. No permit shall be required for an excavation, **[not to exceed five thousand (5000) cubic yards in a twelve month period]** that is exclusively incidental to the construction or alteration of a building or structure or the construction or alteration of a parking lot or way, including a driveway on a portion of the premises where the removal occurs, provided all state and local permits required for the construction or alteration of the building, structure, parking lot, or way have been issued.

b. No permit shall be required for excavation, **[not to exceed five thousand (5000) cubic yards in a twelve month period]** that is incidental to agricultural or silvicultural activities, normal landscaping, or minor topographical adjustment **[provided the following two criteria are met.]**

**[1. Prior to excavations the owner shall submit a letter of intent to the Planning Board.]**

**[2. The letter shall contain at least the names and addresses of all abutters, sketches and description of project to be done and distances from proposed project to property lines. All abutters in the letter shall be noticed by certified mail to be paid by the applicant.]**

### **(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article P-34. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Add a new Section – Article XIX - Aquifer Protection Ordinance.

### **(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Article P-35. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board to Renumber and Classify current zoning regulations for the purposes of orderly reference?

*Barbara E. Savittian*  
*Town Clerk*





## **DEMOGRAPHICS**

5,425	<b>Total Registered Voters</b>
1,815	<b>Voter Turnout (this Election)</b>
55	<b>Absentee Voters</b>
34.5	<b>Voter Participation (%)</b>

## **Selectman - 3 year term**

Michelle R. Conte 314	Robert J. Gray 932☑
Linda L. Guide 208	Barbara E. Hobbs 399
Dale T. Lafayette Jr. 423	George Melvin 223
Carlene E. Sarty 652☑	

## **Library Trustees - 3 year term**

Bertha Hill 1191☑
Catherine Willis 1282☑

## **Board of Fire Engineers - 1 year term**

First Assistant	David R. Sargent 1517☑
Second Assistant	Richard A. Colcord 1500☑
Third Assistant	John H. McArdle 1483☑
Fourth Assistant	Michael F. Borges 1469☑

## **Municipal Budget Committee**

3 year term	George B. Peabody 1358☑
3 year term	Henry Szmyt 1176☑
3 year term	write in: Kristin Lewis 189☑
3 year term	write in: Marilyn Davis 183☑
2 year term	Nicolas Fiset 1297☑

## RESULTS OF TOWN OF PLAISTOW ELECTIONS

*Continued*



1 year term	Janis S. Penta 763☑
1 year term	Steven Ranlett 635

### **Auditors - 1 year term**

Martha L. Sumner 1338☑
write in: Brenda Major 12☑

### **Trustee of the Trust Funds - 3 year term**

B. Jill Senter 1238☑
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### **Planning Board**

3 year term	Dave Hoyt 818☑
3 year term	Michael Penta 615
1 year term	Michael Penta 683
1 year term	Steven Ranlett 728☑

### **Town Moderator**

Barry Sargent 1503 ☑
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### **Tax Collector**

Rosemarie L. Bayek 1555 ☑
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### **Plaistow Warrant Articles**

Article	Description	Yes	No
P-02	Operating Budget @ \$4,239,154	875	706
P-03	Highway Block Grant @ \$113,246	1452	177
P-04	Establish Capital Reserve Fund for Recreation	990	698
P-05	Add to Capital Reserve Fund for Fire Depart	1292	392
P-06	Establish two full time Firefighter/EMTs	1168	512

## RESULTS OF TOWN OF PLAISTOW ELECTIONS

*Continued*



P-07	Alarm System for Town Hall	962	691
P-08	Emergency Generator installed in Town Hall	1024	667
P-09	Energy Conservation Safety Complex & Garage	1064	593
P-10	Establish full time maintenance position	1035	644
P-11	Establish part time Victim Witness Advocate	854	815
P-12	Establish additional Dispatcher position	1061	624
P-13	Police Dept Cameras	1235	462
P-14	Police Dept Radar Units	1195	529
P-15	Police Collective Bargaining Unit Contract	1089	603
P-16	Tax Collector's Raise	1021	707
P-17	Town Clerk's Raise	831	874
P-18	Special meeting if Union contract fails	901	724
P-19	Deposit Land Use revenue in Conservation Fund	1046	548
P-20	Establish a Town Forest	1115	530
P-21	Amend Social Security Agreement	1211	368
P-22	Telecom Equip on Water Tower	1153	433
P-23	Land Transfer (Petition)	1138	468
P-24	Authorize Disposition of Surplus Property	1188	411
P-25	Authorize Library Trustees to dispose prop	1331	289
P-26	Acceptance of Reports	1308	207

### **Plaistow Zoning Articles**

Article #	Yes	No
P-27	912	613
P-28	1165	339
P-29	1118	423
P-30	945	485
P-31	1057	449
P-32	955	593
P-33	1094	463
P-34	885	639
P-35	1079	424





**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
PLAISTOW TOWN WARRANT**

Article PS-1 Shall the Town of Plaistow vote to adopt the following BY-LAW for the purpose of protecting the public health, safety and welfare pursuant to authority granted at RSA31: 39 and RSA 314-A-5?

The following practices are prohibited in the Town of Plaistow:

- a) **TATTOO**- meaning the application of an indelible mark or figure fixed upon the surface of the body by the insertion of pigment under the skin or by the production of scars (RSA 314-A: 1, III)
- b) **BODY PIERCING**-meaning any piercing of the human body (RSA 314-A: 4) including but not limited to the ear, nose, cheek, tongue, navel, forehead, lips, nipples and genitalia.
- c) **BRANDING**-meaning a technique whereby a heated metal form is placed on the skin for the purpose of inducing permanent scarring of the design attached to the end of the branding iron handle.
- d) **PERMANENT MAKE-UP**-meaning the tattooing of permanent make-up onto the face, chest, or body to include, but not limited to: eyebrows, eyeliner, lip liner, lip color, cheek blush, eye shadow and beauty marks.
- e) **SCARIFICATION**-meaning a type of tattooing which produces scars on the body instead of utilizing pigment to implant a lasting pattern in the skin.

**Saving Clause:** The invalidity of any provision of this BY-LAAW shall not affect the validity of any other provision.

**Penalty Clause:** That pursuant to RSA31: 39 III a violation of this BY-LAW shall be punishable by a penalty of \$1000.00 for each offense.

**ZONING ARTICLES**

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**Article PS-2.** Are you in favor of the adoption of the following amendment as proposed by the Planning Board of the Town Zoning Ordinance?

An amendment to Article XIX Aquifer Protection Ordinance as follows:

Section 1920. Use Regulations – Delete (C.) Maximum Lot Coverage

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

### Continued



#### e. ~~Maximum Lot Coverage~~

- ~~a. Within the Aquifer Protection District, the portion of the area of a all zones lot that may be rendered impervious to grown water infiltration shall be determined by the transmissivity of that lot (ref. US. Geological Survey Map, ref. Par. 73B above) in accordance with the following:~~

#### MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE COVERAGE, % IN ALL ZONES

Transmissivity	Coverage
In ft /day	in %
Less than 500	75
500-1000	55
1000-2000	45
more than 2000	35

- ~~b. Within the Aquifer Protection District, where impervious areas exceed 35% of the total lot area, facilities will be provided to collect surface water from impervious areas and route same to non-impervious areas to allow for infiltration of this drainage. These facilities will be maintained free of debris, silt, etc., to ensure proper operation.~~

~~The design of the collection system must ensure that, at a minimum, the runoff from impervious areas in excess of 35% of total lot area be infiltrated to recharge ground water.~~

- b. ~~Road standards shall insure maximum local groundwater recharge occurs.~~  
(This moved to Section 1940)

Section 1920. C, (b) Relocate this to Section 1940 Design and operation guidelines.  
(f) Road standards shall insure maximum local groundwater recharge occurs.

Section 1920. Change (f) Conditional Uses iii, the proposed use will discharge no waste water on site **[other than that typically discharged by domestic waste water disposal systems]** ~~in excess of one thousand (1000) gallons per day~~, and will not involve on-site storage or disposal of toxic or hazardous wastes as herein defined:

Explanation: The Planning Board is proposing a change to the Aquifer Protection Ordinance that will eliminate lot coverage percentage restrictions as set by transmissivity rates. All run-offs from a site must still be treated and recharged regardless of the lot coverage percentage. The lost coverage restrictions placed an undo burden on developers in the Commercial I Zone (Route 125 and provided no added protection to the aquifer.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**



**TOWN OF PLAISTOW SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**  
***Minutes of the Deliberative Session***

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MEETING DATE: July 20, 2000

The Special Town Meeting was held at the Plaistow Public Library beginning at 7:30 PM, and Barry Sargent led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Robert's Rules of Order would be used as a guide only, and a secret ballot vote would require 5 signatures of registered voters.

A motion was made by Michael Emmons and seconded by Robert Gray to allow Town Counsel to speak.

A voice vote was taken and the vote the ayes have it.

The moderator read the warrant.

John Difeo- a non-resident requested to be able to speak at this meeting.

A voice vote was taken and the ayes have it.

The moderator read Article PS-1

Michael Emmons made a motion to put Article PS-1 on the floor seconded by Marilyn Senter.

Michael Emmons spoke saying that this was a 1991 health ordinance allowing physicians only to do tattooing. Michael Emmons read some excerpts from the Public Health Policy from the Robins School of Public Health at Emory University. Tattooing and body piercing is mainly done by the young and this can cause HIV and Aids and hepatitis.

There is no regulation for ear piercing but increases the opportunity for piercing other parts of the body.

Intent of this warrant is health and safety. Do the citizens want tattooing, body piercing parlors in town? At this time only physicians can do ear piercing.

Janis Penta -How many cases of HIV in state? Any body piercing now? She has a tattoo and her ears pierced and she said that she could not see any liability to the town; she would go after the person who did it. She also stated if you followed instructions on the care, just like you would coming from the doctors or hospital, she could not see a problem.

John Difeo -has six year experience and has two establishments one in Seabrook and on in Hampton. In Dec looked into Plaistow and did not find an ordinance and also had spoke with health officer and selectmen. He believed it would be regulated same as massage parlor or cosmetology and he signed a lease in April. In May selectmen prohibited tattooing and he cannot back out of lease. He feels that he has a reputable establishment. There is nothing on the books for body piercing and it is allowed in C1 district.





Janis Penta -what procedure is going to be used?

John Difeo -they would require identification, and there is no age requirement on body piercing. Parental permission would be given for minors fourteen and up. The establishment keeps it's own records.

Robert Gray -Board of Selectmen did not stop enforcing ordinance of 1991. We now have a Part-time Health Officer who inspects food establishment, public health. Depending on how many establishments come into town I would recommend that we elevate the health officer to a full time position, maybe even hiring a second, which would raise taxes

Robert Gray -food establishment needs more inspections.

Michael Emmons -State inspects tattoo parlors. They call the establishment and let them know when they are coming.

Janis Penta -Health officer so busies opening 2 more offices would overload her. Her primary focus is on restaurant. Additional hours would be needed.

Davena Szymt -dentist and doctors are inspected once a year and it is not announced.

Eleanor Peabody -Health officer does she have guidelines in place or will this be something that will have to be researched and written up and have tighter guidelines than the State.

Merilyn Senter -Board will have to get back to work and enact regulation. The Health Officers has restaurants, food handling, vendor machines, school and stores. Restaurant is not the category for inspections, the category is food handlers John Difeo is correct in saying that there is no state law regulating body art.

John Difeo -there is no state law regulating body art.

Steve Savage -want to know about retail merchandise being sold and what training the staff would have on false identification?

John Difeo -no training and it would be retail sales, pipes, cigars, tobacco and everything for tobacco use. Expense jewelry, diamonds, gold, sapphire, men woman's, children clothing. Incense pottery ceramic, etc. He stated that there was a long list.

Elizabeth Quigley read an article from USA Today. Adults make educated decision, but feel that young adults and children make these decision, body piercing tattooing without this point of view. Asking adults to make a right decision not to vote for this article. It would be awful to hear about your neighbor or someone else's down that line has passed away from catching these diseases. We need to stand up for what is right and support the parents of this community; Hope everyone will help parents deal with this fad.



Ginny Thurston -Following up what Mrs Quigley said. We may ask ourselves why we didn't see this from the beginning. Look at what is going on in Seabrook and on the Salisbury line. Things that seemingly are innocent like tattooing and body piercing; next we have strip joints, and other kinds of problems putting an added burden on our law enforcement officers. We are already considered a border town and I believe Mass does not allow this. We may be asking more than we need. I certainly would like to protect our children and the community.

Michael Emmons -A statement was made earlier that an ordinance was presented earlier by the Health Officer to regulate tattooing and body piercing. That is correct. The Board of Selectmen did not want to regulate it but with a five to one vote voted to prohibit not regulating this ordinance. . We took the existing ordinance and beefed it up. If you think the Town of Plaistow would be better with tattoo parlors up and down on Route 125 vote no on this ordinance. If you think the Town of Plaistow should not have that site up and down Route 125 than vote to prohibit it.

John Difeo -Average age is 25 and over making up a large percentage.

Joyce Wright -Any steps taken to stop ear piercing at the hairdressers or store that does ear piercing? Would we have to go to another town?

Michael Emmons said he did not know that answer and it would have to come from the Health Officer.

Don Petzold -could there be an amendment for ear piercing only or not to prohibit ear piecing.

Michael Emmons -Current health ordinance passed in May exempting novelty stores or jewelry stores.

#### ARTICLE PS-2

Robert Gray -last March a protection aquifer ordinance was voted on allowing 75% coverage. A developer could develop a site and fill up 75% but limited lot coverage is only 35%, lot coverage. C1 shall be 75 percent but by default is only 35%, it is conflicting.

BJ Wholesale Warehouse wanted to go in where the new movie theatre was going to go but can't not because of the 35% coverage. This stop growth on Route 125.

C1 section severe limitation on Route 125. Lot not big enough for parking and building. Eliminate lot coverage but still protect.

George Peabody is confused on the whole thing. Just another restriction to keep business from coming in Plaistow,

Heny Szmyt -Does ordinance provide for treating runoff and things of that nature? Can you shed some light on this?

# TOWN OF PLAISTOW SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

*Continued*



Robert Gray -still allows for runoff protection and allows water to be recharged. This ordinance is a work in progress. The chairman of the Planning Board is meeting with the state to improve this.

Merilyn Senter -works with the economic development commission. Building up on rte 125 has come to a screeching halt. Plaistow is trying to do. Three to four miles zoned for commercial and industrial still could be developed. Thirty five percent put brakes on economic development. Did not want to put brakes on.

Henry Szymt confused – progress could be changed. How much can be changed and how much could stay?

Robert Gray Increase from 35% to 75%. Other aspects dealing with discharge of water. Will not go in transmissivity, as I am not an engineer. Conservation Commission will recommend changes to the planning board for changes to be voted on in March.

Barry Sargeant since there is no more discussion this article will appear on the ballot as written.

A motion made by Mr. Lewis to adjourn seconded by Michael Emmons. Time is 8: 40PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Tavitian  
Town Clerk

## SEPTEMBER 12, 2000 ELECTION RESULTS

PS-1 Health Ordinance	473 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	246 <input type="checkbox"/> No
PS-2 Aquifer Ordinance	430 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	230 <input type="checkbox"/> No



# REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

*Bernadine A. FitzGerald*



Balance on Hand January 1,2000 \$ 5,357,330.70

## Receipts from Tax Collector

Previous Years Taxes	\$ 370,172.79
2000 Taxes	\$ 11,495,760.27
Yield Taxes	\$ 112.00
Yield Tax Interest	\$ 130.04
Property Tax Interest	\$ 21,265.71
Mortgage Notice Costs	\$ 1,990.00
Redemptions	\$ 167,431.25
Redemption Interest/Costs	\$ 33,960.03
Water Bill	\$ 26,419.95
Water Bill Interest	\$ 82.45
Return Checks	\$ (16,388.91)
Return Checks Paid	\$ 15,382.54
Return Check Fines	\$ 120.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 12,116,438.12</b>

## Receipts from Town Clerk

W/H State of New Hampshire	\$ 6,362.00
U.C.C. Fees	\$ 5,108.75
U.C.C. Fees Dir. Deps. US Treas	\$ 300.00
Motor Vehicle Permits	\$ 1,167,635.00
Dog Licenses	\$ 6,660.25
Dog Pick-up Fines	\$ 1,135.00
Marriage Licenses	\$ 854.00
Certified Copies	\$ 898.00
Municipal Agent Program	\$ 23,624.50
Voter Checklists	\$ 75.00
Dredge and Fill Permits	\$ 20.00
Boat Registrations	\$ 12,884.82
Recordings	\$ 20.00
Filing Fees	\$ 23.00
Voter Registration Cards	\$ 3.00
Title Fees	\$ 4,498.00
Pole Licenses	\$ 80.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 61.18
Mail-in Registrations	\$ 4,292.00
Prior Year Returned Check Paid	\$ 74.50
Returned Checks	\$ (3,965.36)
Returned Checks Paid	\$ 3,965.36
Returned Checks Fines	\$ 725.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,235,334.00</b>

## REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

*Continued*



### Receipts from State of New Hampshire

Shared Revenues	\$76,427.50
Highway Block Grant	\$113,246.71
NH Flood Control Reimbursement	\$1,294.86
District Court Rent	\$38,882.00
NH Railroad Tax	\$952.21
Emergency Management Reimbursement	\$5,548.99
NH Fuel Tax Reimbursement	\$3,428.46
Rooms and Meal Tax	\$182,385.40
NH Forest Fire Reimbursement	\$892.89
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$423,059.02</b>

### Revenues from Miscellaneous Sources

Cable Franchise Fee	\$12,203.58
Cable PEG Grant	\$15,254.46
Veteran's Markers	\$200.00
Sale of Tax Deeded Land	\$8,746.36
Cemetery Lot Sales	\$1,900.00
Cemetery Open/Close Graves	\$500.00
Sale of Surplus Property	\$1,339.77
Leased Land/Antenna Lease	\$25,903.28
Hardship Lien Reimbursement	\$7,829.94
Fines Court Portion	\$1,500.00
Court Order	\$5.00
Health Insurance Reimbursement	\$23,848.53
Worker's Comp. Audit Reimbursement	\$4,411.76
Insurance Reimbursement Pol/Library	\$579.76
Media One	\$50,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$906.93
Copy Machine Income	\$115.25
Assessor's Office Copies	\$547.28
Robbins Settlement	\$55,255.96
Wal-Mart/Police Agreement	\$30,144.78
Police BCLM/BRUK	\$14,856.22
250th Anniversary	\$12,042.37
Museum Lease	\$1.00
250th Anniversary Books	\$20.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$268,112.23</b>

## REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

*Continued*



### Revenues From Other Departments

Inspection	\$80,978.50
Health	\$10,461.16
Police	
Gun Permits	\$635.00
Licenses to sell Pistols and Revolvers	\$300.00
Hawkers/Peddlers Permit	\$90.00
Pawnbrokers/Second Hand Dealers	\$500.00
Parking Violations	\$9,444.20
Insurance Request Report Fees	\$7,038.20
Returned Checks	-\$70.00
Returned Checks Paid	\$50.00
Returned Checks Fines	\$75.00
Fire :	
Insurance Requests	\$110.00
General Revenue	\$335.00
Tax Warrant Copies	\$252.00
Welfare General Assistance Liens	\$3,691.61
Planning Board	\$10,377.50
Zoning Board of Adjustment	\$4,591.00
Returned Checks	-\$86.00
Returned Checks Paid	\$86.00
Returned Check Fine	\$25.00
Recreation Department	
Summer Recreation Registrations	\$27,532.75
Baseball/Softball Registrations	\$5,790.00
Community Trips	\$4,270.00
Fall Baseball/Softball	\$560.00
Returned Checks	-\$155.00
Returned Checks Paid	\$155.00
Returned Check Fines	\$65.00
Witness Fees	\$1,656.21
Police Outside Detail	\$71,753.81
Drug Forfeiture Funds	\$10,913.36
Plaistow Fire Department Ambulance	\$670.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$252,095.30</b>



# REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

*Continued*



## Revenues From Other Government

Police Dispatch Contract	\$17,900.00
Library	\$120,507.98
Trustees of Trust Funds	\$12,205.48
School Crossing Guard	\$1,402.03
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$152,015.49</b>

## Revenue From Federal Government

COPS More Grant	\$10,398.00
Victim Witness Adv. Grant	\$4,022.79
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$14,420.79</b>

## Interfund Operational Transfers

Special Reserve	\$7,663.00
Library Transfers	\$1,352,048.55
Plaistow Friends of Rec. Postage	\$151.42
Reimbursement Library Architect	\$3,146.36
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,363,009.33</b>

## Interest

Fleet Bank Interest	\$2,469.61
Family Bank Interest	\$150,111.88
MBIA Interest	\$13,286.96
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$165,868.45</b>

TOTAL 2000 RECEIPTS	\$15,996,352.13
TOTAL 2000 DISBURSEMENTS	\$14,696,232.43
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,657,450.40</b>

Balance as of December 31, 2000	\$6,177,757.41
	\$58,214.72

No Cash to Treasurer	
Liens and Welfare Payments	
Applied to 2000 Taxes	\$189,375.03
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,657,450.40</b>

## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

*Barbara Tavitian*



Motor Vehicle Permits Issued (10775)	\$1,167,635.00
Filing Fees	\$23.00
Dog License (975)	\$6,660.00
Fines for Dog Pickup	\$1,135.00
Marriages	\$854.00
W/H State of NH (Marriages & Certified Copies)	\$6,362.00
Boat Registrations (764)	\$12,885.00
Uniform Commercial Code	\$5,409.00
Titles	\$4,498.00
Mail In Registration Fees	\$4,292.00
Municipal Agent Program	\$23,624.00
Voter Registration Cards	\$3.00
Dredge & Fill Permits	\$20.00
Recordings	\$20.00
Miscellaneous	\$61.00
Returned Check Fines	\$725.00
Certified Copies	\$898.00
Pole License	\$80.00
Voter's Check List	\$75.00
Bad Check Payments Received in 2000	\$75.00
<b>Remitted to Treasurer</b>	<b>\$1,235,334.00</b>
2000 Refunds	-\$1,126.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$1,234,208.00</b>

We have had a busy and productive year. Town business is eight percent over the year 1999. We wish to thank our residents for their patience and cooperation this past summer due to computer problems that we experienced.

### REMINDERS

Dog licenses are due by April 30th.

You must have current registration or renewal notice for renewals.

Titles are required for 1989 and above vehicles.

# REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

Rosemarie L. Bayek



DEBITS				
UNCOLLECTED TAXES BEGINNING OF FISCAL YEAR:	LEVY FOR YEAR OF THIS REPORT	LEVY 1999	LEVY 1998	
Property Taxes		\$517,346		
Yield Taxes		\$112		
Utilities			\$11,360	
Interest			\$1,397	
<b>TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR:</b>				
Property Taxes	\$11,937,689			
Yield Taxes				
Utilities		\$41,414		
<b>OVERPAYMENT:</b>				
Property Taxes	\$24,560	\$5,862		
Collect Interest-Late Taxes	\$6,343	\$20,684		
Penalties	\$70	\$50		
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$11,968,662</b>	<b>\$585,468</b>	<b>\$12,757</b>	

CREDITS				
REMITTED TO TREASURER:	LEVY FOR YEAR OF THIS REPORT	LEVY 1999	LEVY 1998	
Property Taxes	\$11,308,177	\$333,584		
Yield Taxes		\$112		
Utilities		\$26,420	\$11,360	
Interest	\$6,343	\$20,684	\$1,397	
Penalties	\$70	\$50		
Conversions to Lien		\$186,975		
<b>ABATEMENTS MADE:</b>				
Property Taxes	\$14,606	\$2,651		
Yield Taxes				
Utilities		\$3,552		
<b>UNCOLLECTED TAXES END OF YEAR:</b>				
Property Taxes	\$639,465	-\$2		
Yield Taxes				
Utilities		\$11,442		
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$11,968,661</b>	<b>\$585,468</b>	<b>\$12,757</b>	



# REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

Continued



DEBITS				
	Levy For Year Of This Report	Levy 1999	Levy 1998	Levy Prior
Unredeemed Liens-Beg. Of Year		\$126,964	\$101,802	\$195,048
Liens Executed During Year	\$186,975			
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$2,274	\$10,704	\$21,491	\$4,179
Mortgage Notice Costs	\$682	\$322	\$470	\$53
Lien Costs	\$2,844			
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$192,775</b>	<b>\$137,990</b>	<b>\$123,763</b>	<b>\$199,280</b>

CREDITS				
REMITTED TO TREASURER:	Levy For Year Of This Report	Levy 1999	Levy 1998	Levy Prior
Redemptions	\$53,965	\$44,473	\$67,137	\$12,702
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	\$2,274	\$10,704	\$21,491	\$3,553
Mortgage Notice Costs	\$682	\$322	\$470	\$53
Lien Costs	\$2,844			
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	\$140			
Unredeemed Liens Bal. End of Year	\$132,870	\$82,491	\$34,665	\$182,972
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$192,775</b>	<b>\$137,990</b>	<b>\$123,763</b>	<b>\$199,280</b>



**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION & EXPENDITURES**  
*Operating Budget Year Ended December 31, 2000*



Acct No.	Account Title	Appropriated	Expended	Variance
4130-4139	Executive	175,548	194,945	-19,397
4140-4149	Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	82,552	76,547	6,005
4150-4151	Financial Administration	156,166	146,324	9,842
4153	Legal Expense	33,000	27,077	5,923
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	330,177	331,100	-923
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	69,195	62,712	6,483
4194	General government Buildings	118,413	106,279	12,134
4195	Cemeteries	14,415	9,434	4,981
4196	Insurance	60,000	40,020	19,980
4210-4214	Police	964,615	991,361	-26,746
4215-4219	Ambulance	26,000	28,213	-2,213
4220-4229	Fire	203,700	188,460	15,240
4240-4249	Building Inspection	87,260	81,730	5,531
4290-4298	Emergency Management	3,545	2,095	1,450
4311	Administration	150,300	133,229	17,071
4312	Highways & Streets	199,250	177,354	21,896
4316-4319	Street Lighting & Other	57,000	49,085	7,915
4321-4323	Administration & Solid Waste Collection	495,000	459,781	35,219
4324-4325	Solid Waste Disposal & Cleanup	5,300	5,200	100
4331-4332	Administration & Water Services	27,350	16,403	10,947
4411	Administration	22,274	21,189	1,085
4414	Pest Control	11,600	11,612	-12
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other	44,002	37,022	6,980
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assistance	36,700	25,273	11,427
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	89,563	83,575	5,988
4550-4559	Library	365,750	334,050	31,700
4589	Other Culture & Recreation	15,820	13,789	2,031
4611-4612	Administration & Purchases of Natural Resources	5,039	3,411	1,628
4711	Princ. - Long Term Bonds & Notes	265,000	265,000	
4712	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	104,620	104,565	55
4723	Interest on TANs	20,000	0	20,000
<b>Total Operating Budget</b>		<b>4,239,154</b>	<b>4,026,836</b>	<b>212,318</b>

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION & EXPENDITURES***Continued***Warrant Articles Year Ended December 31, 2000**

<b>Art. No.</b>	<b>Account Title</b>	<b>Appropriated</b>	<b>Expended</b>	<b>Variance</b>
P-3	Highway Block Grant	113,246	113,246	
P-4	Recreational Facility Capital Reserve Fund	50,000	50,000	
P-5	Fund Fire Dept Capital Reserve	25,000	25,000	
P-16	Tax Collector Salary Increase	1,076	1,026	50
P-6	Full-Time Firefighter/EMT Positions	45,000	45,000	
P-7	Town Hall Fire Alarm	22,000	22,000	
P-8	Town Hall Emergency Generator Install	10,000	10,000	
P-9	PSC & Hwy Garage Heating Grant	14,540	14,540	
P-10	Full Time Maintenance Position	10,000	4,640	5,360
P-11	Police Victim Witness Position	10,000	4,760	5,240
P-12	Police Emergency Dispatcher Position	11,000	5,662	5,338
P-13	Police cameras (seizure funds)	18,000	12,261	5,739
P-14	Police Radar Units LLEBG Grants	11,244	11,551	-307
P-15	Police Teamsters Agreement	29,827	29,827	
<b>Total Warrant Articles</b>		<b>370,933</b>	<b>349,514</b>	<b>21,419</b>

**Comparative Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues****Year Ended December 31, 2000**

<b>Account Title</b>	<b>Estimated</b>	<b>Received</b>	<b>Variance</b>
Taxes (Other than property taxes)	100,000	70,159	-29,841
Licenses, Permits and Fees	938,000	1,322,040	384,040
Federal Government	46,119	34,937	-11,182
State Government	295,062	422,357	127,295
Other Governments	25,000	71,565	46,565
Charges for Services	130,000	214,025	84,025
Miscellaneous	154,000	391,103	237,103
Interfund Transfers/Capital Projects	86,700	1,446,412	1,359,712
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,774,881</b>	<b>3,972,598</b>	<b>2,197,717</b>

2000 Revenue and Expenditures are pre-audit



## STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT

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Public Library

Original Amount: \$1,900,000

Year Term 2000/10 years @ 4.474%

Fiscal Year	Coupon Date	Principal Payment	Coupon Rate	Interest Payment	Periodic Debt Service	Fiscal Debt Service
2001	1/1/01		\$4.47	\$38,252.70	\$38,252.70	
	7/1/01	\$190,000.00	\$4.47	\$38,252.70	\$228,252.70	\$266,505.40
2002	1/1/02		\$4.47	\$34,002.40	\$34,002.40	
	7/1/02	\$190,000.00	\$4.47	\$34,002.40	\$224,002.40	\$258,004.80
2003	1/2/00		\$4.47	\$29,752.10	\$29,752.10	
	7/1/03	\$190,000.00	\$4.47	\$29,752.10	\$219,752.10	\$249,504.20
2004	1/1/04		\$4.47	\$25,501.80	\$25,501.80	
	7/1/04	\$190,000.00	\$4.47	\$25,501.80	\$215,501.80	\$241,003.60
2005	1/1/05		\$4.47	\$21,251.50	\$21,251.50	
	7/1/05	\$190,000.00	\$4.47	\$21,251.50	\$211,251.50	\$232,503.00
2006	1/1/06		\$4.47	\$17,001.20	\$17,001.20	
	7/1/06	\$190,000.00	\$4.47	\$17,001.20	\$207,001.20	\$224,002.40
2007	1/1/07		\$4.47	\$12,750.90	\$12,750.90	
	7/1/07	\$190,000.00	\$4.47	\$12,750.90	\$202,750.90	\$215,501.80
2008	1/1/08		\$4.47	\$8,500.60	\$8,500.60	
	7/1/08	\$190,000.00	\$4.47	\$8,500.60	\$198,500.60	\$207,001.20
2009	1/1/09		\$4.47	\$4,250.30	\$4,250.30	
	7/1/09	\$190,000.00	\$4.47	\$4,250.30	\$194,250.30	\$198,500.60
				\$382,527.00	\$2,092,527.00	\$2,092,527.00

# REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

*Helen A. Hart, Chairman; B. Jill Sente; Kenneth Thurston*



Last spring at Town meeting in March, the Town voted to create an additional \$25,000 in funds for the Fire Capital reserve fund and to establish a new capital reserve fund for Recreation fields. The Trustees have taken care of both of these tasks. There was a slight drop in the number of cemetery lots purchased this year. However this fluctuates on a yearly basis. This holds no concerns to the Trustees, the principal in the cemetery funds is strong and the interest continues to grow steadily. The Trustees are happy to report that interest on all accounts has been very good this past year averaging around 5% to 6%. This is better than last year, by almost an entire percent. We've included a list of the Town's accounts and the current principal and interest for the year as of Dec. 31, 2000.

Respectively submitted,  
Trustee of the Trust Funds.

	PRINCIPAL			INCOME				TOTALS		
	Balance Beginning Year	Funds Created	Funds Transf/ Expend.	Balance Year End	Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance Year End	Grand Total of Principal & Interest	Market Value
COMMON FUNDS										
Plaistow Cem.	54,383.26	1,900.00		56,283.26	20,265.32	4,778.35	-4,778.35	20,265.32	76,548.58	76,548.58
North Parish Cem.	5,300.00			5,300.00	224.90	350.81	-350.81	224.90	5,524.90	5,524.90
TOTAL	59,683.26	1,900.00		61,583.26	20,490.22	5,129.16	-5,129.16	20,490.22	82,073.48	82,073.48
OTHER FUNDS										
Conservation Fund	6,000.00			6,000.00	11,265.32	1,048.20		12,313.52	18,313.52	18,313.52
Cap Res. Fire	50,000.00	25,000.00		75,000.00	1,987.31	4,276.15		6,263.46	81,263.46	81,263.46
Rec Commission	1,013.12	0.00		1,013.12	34.42	63.67		98.09	1,111.21	1,111.21
PEG Cable	80,780.86	0.00	-1,978.88	78,801.98	890.59	4,636.53	-5,527.12	0.00	78,801.98	78,801.98
Rec Field Fund	0.00	50,000.00		50,000.00	0.00	2,239.96		2,239.96	52,239.96	52,239.96
TOTAL	137,793.98	75,000.00	-1,978.88	210,815.10	14,177.64	12,264.51	-5,527.12	20,915.03	231,730.13	231,730.13
ALL FUNDS	197,477.24	76,900.00	-1,978.88	272,398.36	34,667.86	17,393.67	-10,656.28	41,405.25	313,803.61	313,803.61

# TOWN OF PLAISTOW PROPERTY LIST



PROPERTY DESCRIPTION	LAND VALUE	BUILDING VALUE
16 Culver Street	56,100	0
15 Lower Road	56,100	0
13 Lower Road	55,800	0
Frog Pond Woods	96,900	0
Frog Pond Woods	66,500	0
266 Main Street	327,000	0
280 Main Street	340,000	0
N/S Old County Road	139,200	0
Main Street Rear	75,900	0
Old County Road Rear	116,500	0
N/S Old County Road	66,600	0
33 Westville Road	53,800	0
Route 125Y Road	17,160	0
Rear North Avenue	1,200	0
7 Massasoit Blvd.	52,600	0
35 W. Pine Street	75,700	0
7 Whiton Place	1,300	0
26A Westville Road	9,500	0
4 Bittersweet Drive	51,400	0
120 Main Street	668,010	3,813,510
12 Main Street Historical Mus.	60,130	168,530
Water Tower at Process	0	0
145 Main Street	123,500	603,510
5 Ingalls Terrace	72,540	14,210
Plaistow Road Rear	39,400	0
Town Landfill	186,800	0
215 Plaistow Road - ST. of	92,000	0
Pump House & Reservoir	57,600	17,900
27 Elm Street	212,550	1,753,800
17 Elm Street	318,500	0
14 Elm Street St. Lib	107,610	257,820
Main Street Rear	35,800	0
17 Canterbury Forst	53,600	0
2A Woodland Drive	500	0
Autumn Circle	14,400	0
Autumn Circle Rear	2,100	0
10 Harriman Road	43,800	0
41A Sweet Hill Road	55,600	0
Town Road	21,650	0
Unknown	0	0



# TOWN OF PLAISTOW PROPERTY LIST

Continued



PROPERTY DESCRIPTION	LAND VALUE	BUILDING VALUE
Pollard Brook	0	0
Off Newton Road Rear L.	5,560	0
163 Plaistow Road	602,200	0
East Road Rear	11,800	0
Center Cir Rear	81,250	7,500
3A Dundee Drive	1,800	0
169 Plaistow Road	254,000	0
144 Main Street	283,080	0
Thompson Land	1,200	0
Mt. Misery	600	0
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Mt. Misery Ledge	600	0
Hibbart Homestead	400	0
Jordan Land	0	0
Landry & Kimball	0	0
Rear George Mason	0	0
Jordan Land	0	0
Atkinson Line	68,050	0
Atkinson Line Rear Lan	0	0
Kingston Line	0	0
322 W/S Main Street	0	0
Old Stagecoach Road	38,400	0
Hampstead Line	0	0
307 Main Street	200,900	0
Main Street	29,700	0
Main Street Rear Kelly Road	38,100	0
1 Hickory Ridge Road	700	0
Frog Pond Woods	154,700	0
Frog Pond Woods	54,400	0
Formely J A Noyes Lan	31,300	0
Location Unknown	88,300	0
Frog Pond Woods	20,200	0
Depot Road	0	0
Near B & M Railroad	3,600	0
Off N/S East Road	2,700	0
45 Greenough Road	52,200	0
Frog Pond Woods	92,100	0
Lot 2 Sect B Brentwood	5,700	0
11 Lower Road	84,900	0
14 Culver Street	5,000	0

# TOWN OF PLAISTOW PROPERTY LIST

Continued



PROPERTY DESCRIPTION	LAND VALUE	BUILDING VALUE
Location Unknown	36,100	0
Forrest Street	0	4,800
23 Newton Road	19,310	0
Newton Road Rear	11,250	0
Tucker & Flanders Land	0	0
Leavitt Land	0	0
Main Street 2 Lots	0	0
Frog Pond Woods	0	0
Unknown	0	0
Frog Pond Woods	0	0
Frog Pond Woods	0	0
Frog Pond Woods	0	0
Mt. Misery	0	0
Mt. Misery	0	0
Haseltine Road	0	0
Plaistow Road Rear	26,000	0
Mt. Misery	28,500	0
Main Street Rear	21,600	0
Main Street Rear	19,900	0
Main Street Rear	12,500	0
Kingston Line	4,700	0
Kingston Line	0	0
Haverhill Line	96,500	0
Newton Road Rear	22,100	0
Mt. Misery	56,700	0
Main Street	148,720	0
L/O Atkinson Line	200	0
L/O Mt. Misery	71,200	0
L/O Mt. Misery Ledge	43,800	0
L/O Mt. Misery Center	8,400	0
L/O Mt. Misery Center	22,800	0
<b>TOTAL ASSESSMENTS</b>	<b>\$6,689,670.00</b>	<b>\$6,642,580.00</b>
<b>Total Properties</b>	<b>86</b>	
<b>Acreage</b>	<b>588.65</b>	
<b>Combined Totals</b>	<b>\$13,332,250.00</b>	

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To the Board of Selectmen  
Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire as of and for the year ended December 31, 1999, and have issued our report thereon dated April 13, 2000.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards required that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement.

The management of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control structure policies and procedures. The objectives of an internal control structure are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of general purpose financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Because of inherent limitations in any internal control structure, errors or irregularities may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the structure to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of the design and operation of policies and procedures may deteriorate.

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire for the year ended December 31, 1999, we obtained an understanding of the internal control structure. With respect to the internal control structure, we obtained an understanding of the design of relevant policies and procedures and whether they have been placed in operation, and we assessed control risk in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control structure. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

We noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control over financial reporting that, in our judgement, could adversely affect the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the general purpose financial statements.



## CASH RECONCILIATION

### *Condition*

The Treasurer prepares bank reconciliations on the Town's checking and payroll accounts on a monthly basis. However, the balance reflected on the bank reconciliations are not reconciled to the cash balance per the Town's general ledger. The reconciliation process is not being completed, as the various departments are not submitting a complete summary of the total deposit to the bookkeeper. In addition, a copy of the monthly bank reconciliation and copies of the various bank statements are not submitted to the finance department.

### *Implication*

Internal controls over cash are weakened when the reconciliation process is not completed. Although bank reconciliations are prepared, they are not reconciled to the balance carried on the Town's general ledger. Errors or mispostings can remain undetected if the reconciliation process is not fully completed through the general ledger balance.

### *Recommendation*

We recommend that the various departments submit a copy of each deposit to both the Treasurer and the bookkeeper. In addition, a copy of the bank reconciliation for the checking and payroll accounts, along with a copy of all bank statements should be submitted to the finance department on a regular basis to allow for the reconciliation process to be completed.

### *Response*

The Treasurer has been instructed to submit bank statements to the Finance Department monthly. Once again, we are requesting that department heads be sure to submit copies of all receipts given to the Treasurer to the Finance Department also.

A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control that might be reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses. We believe that the reportable condition described above is a material weakness.

We have noted another matter involving the internal control over financial reporting that we have reported to the management of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire in a separate letter dated April 13, 2000.

This report is intended for the information of management and the Board of Selectmen. However, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.

*Wachon, Anthony & Co., PC*

April 13, 2000

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen  
Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1999, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As more fully described in Note 1, the general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the financial statements of the General Fixed Asset Account Group, which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. The amount that should be recorded in the General Fixed Asset Account Group is not known.

As described in Note 1, the Town has recognized tax revenues of \$451,297 in its General Fund which were not received in cash within sixty days of year end as required by generally accepted accounting principles (GASB Interpretation 3). Town officials believe, and we concur, that the application of this accounting principle, which would result in a decrease in the undesignated General Fund balance from \$2,153,062 to \$1,701,765, would give a misleading impression of the Town's ability to meet its current and future obligations.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the general purpose financial statements of the omission described in the third paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire as of December 31, 1999 and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its non-expendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining financial statements and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

*Vachon, Aubrey & Co., PC*

April 13, 2000



EXHIBIT A  
TOWN OF PLAISTOW, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
Combined Balance Sheet - All Fund Types and Account Groups  
December 31, 1999

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Group	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Trust & Agency	General Long- Term Debt	1999	1998
<b>ASSETS</b>							
Cash and equivalents	\$ 5,022,170	\$ 65,899		\$ 168,870		\$ 5,256,939	\$ 5,164,705
Investments	218,819	717,643	\$ 1,359,317	245,940		2,541,719	1,013,218
Receivables:							
Taxes receivable	676,708					676,708	824,638
Notes receivable	199,202					199,202	243,117
Accounts receivable	27,499			12,203		39,702	36,194
Unbilled charges for service	37,862					37,862	37,404
Due from other funds	15,924					15,924	6,886
Due from other governments	79,570					79,570	71,698
Amounts to be provided for retirement of long-term obligations					\$ 2,066,971	2,066,971	297,499
Total Assets	<u>\$ 6,277,754</u>	<u>\$ 783,542</u>	<u>\$ 1,359,317</u>	<u>\$ 427,013</u>	<u>\$ 2,066,971</u>	<u>\$ 10,914,597</u>	<u>\$ 7,695,359</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>							
Liabilities:							
Accounts payable	\$ 117,198		\$ 195,510	\$ 1,590		\$ 314,298	\$ 76,012
Accrued expenses	27,140					27,140	20,489
Retainage payable			63,229			63,229	
Deposits				168,870		168,870	165,772
Duc to other funds				15,924		15,924	6,886
Duc to other governments	3,640,528					3,640,528	4,272,742
Deferred revenue	5,356					5,356	10,571
General long-term debt obligations					\$ 1,975,000	1,975,000	150,000
Capital lease obligations					49,568	49,568	80,570
Compensated absences payable					42,403	42,403	66,929
Total Liabilities	<u>3,790,222</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>258,739</u>	<u>186,384</u>	<u>2,066,971</u>	<u>6,302,316</u>	<u>4,849,971</u>
Fund Balances:							
Reserved:							
Reserved for endowments		10,550		59,683		70,233	66,325
Reserved for encumbrances	41,575					41,575	25,946
Reserved for long term receivables	153,050					153,050	231,776
Unreserved:							
Designated for future year's expenditures	139,845	682,635		160,456		982,936	1,029,083
Undesignated	2,153,062	90,357	1,100,578	20,490		3,364,487	1,492,258
Total Fund Balances	<u>2,487,532</u>	<u>783,542</u>	<u>1,100,578</u>	<u>240,629</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,612,281</u>	<u>2,845,388</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$ 6,277,754</u>	<u>\$ 783,542</u>	<u>\$ 1,359,317</u>	<u>\$ 427,013</u>	<u>\$ 2,066,971</u>	<u>\$ 10,914,597</u>	<u>\$ 7,695,359</u>

## EXHIBIT B

## TOWN OF PLAISTOW, NEW HAMPSHIRE

## Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

## All Governmental Fund Types and Expendable Trust Funds

For the Year Ended December 31, 1999

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund Types	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Expendable Trust	1999	1998
Revenues:						
Taxes	\$ 2,224,299				\$ 2,224,299	\$ 2,072,707
Licenses and permits	1,212,752				1,212,752	1,100,441
Intergovernmental revenues	380,580				380,580	353,259
Charges for service	213,940				213,940	288,241
Miscellaneous revenues	378,676	\$ 72,367	\$ 44,655	\$ 16,865	512,563	549,214
Total Revenues	<u>4,410,247</u>	<u>72,367</u>	<u>44,655</u>	<u>16,865</u>	<u>4,544,134</u>	<u>4,363,862</u>
Expenditures:						
Current:						
General government	887,685			1,430	889,115	906,160
Public safety	1,183,360	2,998			1,186,358	1,077,510
Highways and streets	450,834				450,834	415,186
Health and welfare	94,049				94,049	90,712
Sanitation	365,853				365,853	364,550
Water distribution and treatment	70,303				70,303	26,461
Culture and recreation	74,456	183,115			257,571	262,768
Capital outlay	420,058	5,165	844,077	3,719	1,273,019	467,087
Debt service	87,944				87,944	172,175
Total Expenditures	<u>3,634,542</u>	<u>191,278</u>	<u>844,077</u>	<u>5,149</u>	<u>4,675,046</u>	<u>3,782,609</u>
Excess of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	<u>775,705</u>	<u>(118,911)</u>	<u>(799,422)</u>	<u>11,716</u>	<u>(130,912)</u>	<u>581,253</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):						
Capital lease proceeds					-	54,242
Proceeds of long-term debt			1,900,000		1,900,000	
Operating transfers in	9,500	186,218		106,794	302,512	403,064
Operating transfers out	(293,012)	(9,500)			(302,512)	(403,064)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(283,512)</u>	<u>176,718</u>	<u>1,900,000</u>	<u>106,794</u>	<u>1,900,000</u>	<u>54,242</u>
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources over Expenditures and Other Uses	<u>492,193</u>	<u>57,807</u>	<u>1,100,578</u>	<u>118,510</u>	<u>1,769,088</u>	<u>635,495</u>
Fund Balances - January 1	<u>1,995,339</u>	<u>725,735</u>		<u>41,946</u>	<u>2,763,020</u>	<u>2,127,525</u>
Fund Balances - December 31	<u>\$ 2,487,532</u>	<u>\$ 783,542</u>	<u>\$ 1,100,578</u>	<u>\$ 160,456</u>	<u>\$ 4,532,108</u>	<u>\$ 2,763,020</u>

## EXHIBIT C

## TOWN OF PLAISTOW, NEW HAMPSHIRE

## Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

## Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis) - General Fund

For the Year Ended December 31, 1999

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues:			
Taxes	\$ 2,049,144	\$ 2,224,299	\$ 175,155
Licenses and permits	1,013,000	1,212,752	199,752
Intergovernmental revenues	350,468	380,580	30,112
Charges for service	151,600	213,940	62,340
Miscellaneous revenues	241,463	378,676	137,213
Total Revenues	<u>3,805,675</u>	<u>4,410,247</u>	<u>604,572</u>
Expenditures:			
Current:			
General government	921,209	898,147	23,062
Public safety	1,180,478	1,182,865	(2,387)
Highways and streets	509,260	451,937	57,323
Health and welfare	115,350	94,049	21,301
Sanitation	371,365	365,853	5,512
Water distribution and treatment	80,700	77,324	3,376
Culture and recreation	84,346	71,994	12,352
Capital outlay	424,883	420,058	4,825
Debt service	117,945	87,944	30,001
Total Expenditures	<u>3,805,536</u>	<u>3,650,171</u>	<u>155,365</u>
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures	<u>139</u>	<u>760,076</u>	<u>759,937</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Operating transfers in	9,500	9,500	-
Operating transfers out	(366,312)	(293,012)	73,300
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(356,812)</u>	<u>(283,512)</u>	<u>73,300</u>
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources over (under) Expenditures and Other Uses	<u>(356,673)</u>	<u>476,564</u>	<u>833,237</u>
Fund Balance - January 1	<u>1,969,393</u>	<u>1,969,393</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balance - December 31 - Budgetary Basis	<u>\$ 1,612,720</u>	<u>\$ 2,445,957</u>	<u>\$ 833,237</u>



EXHIBIT D  
**TOWN OF PLAISTOW, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Balances**  
**All Non-Expendable Trust Funds**  
For the Year Ended December 31, 1999

		(Memorandum Only)
	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
Operating Revenues:		
Investment income	\$ 4,268	\$ 4,232
Total Operating Revenues	<u>4,268</u>	<u>4,232</u>
Operating Expenses	<u>9,563</u>	<u>4,232</u>
Net Operating Income (Loss)	<u>(5,295)</u>	<u>-</u>
Non-Operating Income:		
Bequests	<u>3,100</u>	<u>3,800</u>
	<u>3,100</u>	<u>3,800</u>
Net Income (Loss)	(2,195)	3,800
Fund Balances - January 1	<u>82,368</u>	<u>78,568</u>
Fund Balances - December 31	<u>\$ 80,173</u>	<u>\$ 82,368</u>

EXHIBIT E  
**TOWN OF PLAISTOW, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**Statement of Cash Flows**  
**All Non-Expendable Trust Funds**  
For the Year Ended December 31, 1999

		(Memorandum Only)
	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		
Investment income	\$ 4,268	\$ 4,232
Cash paid for services	<u>4,268</u>	<u>4,232</u>
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>4,268</u>	<u>4,232</u>
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:		
Bequests	<u>3,100</u>	<u>3,800</u>
Net Cash Provided by Capital and Related Financing Activities	<u>3,100</u>	<u>3,800</u>
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Net (increase) in investments	<u>(7,368)</u>	<u>(8,032)</u>
Net Cash (Used) by Investing Activities	<u>(7,368)</u>	<u>(8,032)</u>
Net increase in Cash and cash equivalents	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents, January 1	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, December 31	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Reconciliation of Net Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:		
Net Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (5,295)	\$ -
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities		
Increase in accounts payable	1,302	288
Increase in due to other funds	<u>8,261</u>	<u>3,944</u>
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	<u>\$ 4,268</u>	<u>\$ 4,232</u>

## 2000 Tax Rate Computation and Taxes Assessed

Town			
Appropriations	\$	4,610,087.00	
Less: Revenue	\$	2,617,207.00	
Less: Shared Revenues	\$	9,276.00	
Add: Overlay	\$	299,353.00	
War Service Credits	\$	45,700.00	
Net Town Appropriation		\$ 2,328,657	
<b>Approved Town Tax Effort</b>		<b>\$ 2,328,657</b>	<b>Town Rate 4.48</b>
School			
Regional School Apportionment	\$	10,862,329.00	
Less: Adequate Education Grant	\$	(1,831,699.00)	
State Education Taxes	\$	(3,231,977.00)	
Approved School Tax Effort		\$ 5,798,653	<b>Local School Rate 6.40</b>
State Education Taxes			
Equalized Valuation (no utilities)x \$ 6.60			
\$ 489,693,534	\$	3,231,977	
Divide Local Assessed Valuation (no utilities)			
\$ 504,958,797			
Excess State Education to be Remitted to State	Zero		
County Portion			
Due to County	\$	623,387.00	
Less: Shared Revenues	\$	(9,276.00)	
Approved County Tax Effort		\$ 614,111	<b>County Rate 1.18</b>
			<b>Total Rate 23.21</b>
Total Property Taxes Assessed		\$ 11,973,398	
Less: War Service Credits		\$ (45,700)	
<b>Total Property Taxes Assessed</b>		<b>\$ 11,927,698</b>	

### Proof of Rate

Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
State Education Tax (no Utilities) 504,958,797	\$ 6.40	\$ 3,231,977
All Other Taxes 520,027,507	\$ 16.81	\$ 8,741,421
		<b>\$ 11,973,398</b>

## REPORT OF THE ANIMAL CONTROL DEPARTMENT

*Donald Sargent, Animal Control Officer*



We would like to thank all the residents for working with us this past year. Again, this year we have a very high amount of dogs being licensed and thank the residents for this. This is a way to protect your family from getting the RABIES from dogs you own.

This year we have the virus from dead birds that has moved into this area this past year and is a problem for Plaistow next year.

### LIST OF CALLS

General Information	845
Lost Canine	81
Lost Feline	56
Returned Canine	63
Reported Canine Bites	17
Canine New Home Placement	23
Canines picked-up	91
Unrestrained Canine	147
Bat Problems	6
Animals in Chimneys	31
Beaver Road Deaths	8
Raccoon Road Deaths	21
Woodchucks Trapped	41
Birds/Dead Removals	15
Canine Car Deaths	18
Feline Car Deaths	54
Canine Euthanasia	6
Canine Licensed 1999	945
Opossums Lived Trapped	12
Opossum Car Deaths	5
Deer Hit by Car	8
Fox Hit by Car	8
Skunks Trapped	48
Skunk Car Deaths	27
Feline Euthanasia	31
Raccoon Euthanasia	4
Woodchucks Hit by Car	15
Raccoons deceased on Lawns	5
Canine Car Deaths	18
Feline Car Deaths	54
Canine Euthanasia	6





## REPORT OF THE ASSESSOR

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*Wil Corcoran, Assessor's Agent*



The real estate market has been increasing in the southern sector of the State, including Plaistow. This past year the assessor's office increased most all condominium assessments because they were falling below their respective market values. As the market continues to increase for all properties, we must prepare to keep all assessments current with market value.

The revaluation of 1999 provided us with an electronic database. This technology allows us to analyze sales quickly and to identify property classes or sections of the Town that need their assessments revised to current market conditions.

Adjusting property assessments annually moderates shifts in taxes normally associated with full revaluations. Proceeding in this manner also does away with the need for costly and contentious full revaluations such as we had in 1987 and 1999. While currently the market is increasing, causing us to look to increasing assessments, this annual assessment program requires us to decrease assessments if the market begins to fall.

The idea behind these annual updates, beyond moderating sudden shifts in property taxes, and doing away with the need for full revaluations, is that these updates ensure that each taxpayer is paying their fair share of property taxes each year, and not just when a revaluation occurs.

It is important to keep in mind that these adjustments do not raise any additional revenues beyond what is approved by the budget committee and the taxpayers at the Town Meeting or deliberative sessions. If assessments are increased by say 10%, and no additional revenues are approved by the taxpayers, then the amount of taxes paid by individual taxpayers should remain the same. Of course, if additional expenditures are approved by the taxpayers, then taxes will increase, with or without these assessment updates.

Another important matter to consider is the manner in which our State school tax rate is computed. When our assessment ratio falls below 100%, the State 'equalizes' our total valuation by adjusting us upward to 100% before computing our proportionate share in the State school tax rate. By keeping all classes and sectors of our assessment base current and equal, we help ensure that the 'equalization' process at the State level does not misrepresent us.

The assessment update process requires us to perform inspections on all properties that have sold, and in areas that have experienced significant changes in market value. While we understand that this imposes inconveniences to taxpayers, it is a very important part of the process by allowing us to verify that the data on record is current and accurate. We would be happy to go over the information with you and ensure that there are no errors of record.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our fellow department heads and Town employees for their consistent good cheer, and to thank the Selectmen for their support and wisdom in the direction of our department. Finally, we would like to thank the taxpayers for their unfailing patience and assistance we have experienced throughout the year as we have conducted our difficult tasks.

## REPORT OF THE BUILDING & CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE

*P. Michael Dorman, Chief Building Official*



As the year 2000 nears an end the Inspections Office continues to witness an abundance of construction. New residential construction remains steady at 15 and is expected to remain steady in the upcoming year. Pools, decks, sheds and remodels remain the majority of permits issued by this office.

Commercial and Industrial projects continue to increase and generate revenue for our Town. I anticipate a very good year in 2001 since projects approved in 2000 will be constructed and new proposals will be set in motion.

Zoning, as always, takes up much of our day in the Inspections Office and will continue to be a priority in the upcoming year. Although little revenue is realized, the voters of Plaistow have given this office the responsibility of keeping your Town Safe, clean and free of violations of all zoning regulations adopted.

Lastly, I would like to take this opportunity to commend the hard work of Jeff Paradis, Plumbing Inspector and Ken Ray, Electrical Inspector. The Inspections team has done an excellent job keeping your Town safe and up to code.

Revenue for the year 2000 has increased over the year 1999, which allows this office to operate within or very close to the black each year. Below for your review, is a year-to-date through November 22, 2000 total revenues generated by this office:

Electrical Permits	\$7,245.00
Building Permits	\$35,350.50
Electrical Contractors	\$5,775.00
Plumbing Permits	\$3,285.00
Plumbing Contractors	\$2,040.00
Occupancy Permits	\$1,450.00
Mechanical Permits	\$2,470.00
Mechanical Contractors	\$515.00
Septic Permits	\$2,825.00
Sign Permits	\$4,410.00
Annual Dealer Fees	\$1,100.00
Well Permits	\$285.00
Copies	\$64.50
Fire Department Revenue	\$1,150.00
Miscellaneous	\$2,310.00
<b><i>TOTAL</i></b>	<b><i>\$70,429.75</i></b>
<b><i>2000 Budget</i></b>	<b><i>\$69,760.00</i></b>



# REPORT OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN COMMITTEE

*Timothy Moore, Chairman*



The 2000 CIP Committee included two representatives from the Planning Board, two representatives from the Budget Committee, two representatives from the Board of Selectmen, and the Planning Coordinator. These representatives were as follows:

Timothy Moore, Chairman (Planning Board)  
 Bernadine FitzGerald, Vice Chairman (Budget Committee)  
 Steve Ranlett (Planning Board)  
 Martha Sumner (Budget Committee)  
 Robert Gray (Board of Selectmen)  
 Michael Emmons (Board of Selectmen)  
 Ann Sharpe (Planning Coordinator)

The CIP process is working very well, and I would like to thank everyone for their participation – both the committee members and all Town employees and volunteers for their timely submittal of capital needs to the CIP committee. The CIP committee meets in late June to incorporate any changes in the CIP that were made in the March Town Meeting. A letter for all Town Department Heads and Committee Chairman is prepared asking each department to submit an explanation of their capital needs to the CIP committee in time for the August CIP committee meeting. At the August meeting, the CIP committee establishes a Target amount for capital spending in the following year. For the budget year 2001, the total capital request is \$44,559 less than the established target amount. The final capital requests are made in December, the final CIP report is prepared and presented to the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, and Budget Committee.

		2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
<b>FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>								
1) Cap. Res.to Replace Fire Engines	W	25,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
6) Advanced Life Support		18,000		\$280,000				
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>43,000</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>50,000</b>
<b>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT</b>								
1) Replacement Vehicles	W		20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	44,000
3) Dome Salt Shed								
5) Road Reconst./Reclam./Drainage Repair	W	113,246	123,593	119,923	125,919	132,215	138,826	145,767
6) Highway Diesel Tank Removal								
Highway Block Grant Funds Available	W	-113,246	-123,593	-129,773	-136,261	-132,215	-138,826	-145,767
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>10,150</b>	<b>9,658</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>44,000</b>



# REPORT OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN COMMITTEE

*Continued*



## LIBRARY

		2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
1) New 15,400 sq. ft. Library on 4.9 acres	B/W	BOND \$1,900,000 for 10 years						
Interest from the Bond		-70,000						
Contingency Fund		70,000						
Income from Trust Funds	W	-85,000	-70,000	-70,000	-70,000	-70,000	-70,000	-70,000
Income from Fundraising		-35,507						
Subtotal		-120,507	-70,000	-70,000	-70,000	-70,000	-70,000	-70,000

## PARKS & RECREATION

7) Plan. & Eng. for Recreation Facilities		50,000						
Subtotal		50,000	0	0	0	0	0	0

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

1) Software/Hardware Computerization								
2) Replacement of Police Cruisers	W	28,778	22,750	22,750	22,750	54,000	54,000	54,000
3) Replace 2 Position Motorola Console	W		200,000					
4) Replace Dictaphone		24,000						
6) Mobile Data Terminals								
7) Expansion of Safety Complex				100,000				
8) Cruiser/Station Security Video/Audio		16,000						
9) Resurfacing Parking Lot				30,000				
10) Automated External Defibrillators (5)			23,000					
Grants		-16,000	-100,000					
Subtotal		52,778	145,750	152,750	22,750	54,000	54,000	54,000

## SELECTMEN'S OFFICE

2) Energy Conservation Program / AC								
6) Records Management (Town Hall)	B		8,686					
8) Town Hall Fire Alarm (\$22K)		22,000						
14) Town Ordinance Codification		9,200						
15) ADA Accessibility		35,000						
16) Elections/Voting Machines					15,000			
Grants								
Subtotal		66,200	8,686	0	15,000	0	0	0

## FINANCIAL OFFICE

1) Accounting Software			0	42,000				
Subtotal			0	42,000	0	0	0	0

## WATER DEPARTMENT

5) New Well Maple Ave. Pump Station		8,000						
Grants								
Subtotal		8,000	0	0	0	0	0	0

# REPORT OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN COMMITTEE

*Continued*



	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
<b>EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>							
2) Generator Installation at Town Hall	10,000						
Grant	-5,000						
Subtotal	5,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE</b>							
1) Sidewalk Improvements			242,000				
2) Passenger Rail Station				22,000			
Grants			-193,600	-11,000			
Subtotal	0	0	48,400	11,000	0	0	0
<b>PLANNING &amp; COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT</b>							
1) Route I25 Study	5,000						
2) Building Inspector Vehicle Replacement	20,000						
3) GIS Implementation	23,000						
4) Master Plan Update	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000			
Grants							
Subtotal	58,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	0	0	0
<b>CONSERVATION COMMISSION</b>							
1) Conservation Fund		5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Subtotal		5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
<b>BONDED DEBT</b>							
1) Safety Complex & Landfill	81,340						
2) Library	288,279	266,505	258,005	249,504	241,004	232,503	224,002
3) Recreation Fields on Old County Rd.							
Other Funds - Land Closure							
Subtotal	369,619	266,505	258,005	249,504	241,004	232,503	224,002
<b>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COST - TOTAL</b>	<b>751,336</b>	<b>724,534</b>	<b>852,678</b>	<b>515,173</b>	<b>497,219</b>	<b>495,329</b>	<b>517,769</b>
<b>OFFSETTING FUNDS - PRIVATE/PUBLIC</b>	<b>-219,246</b>	<b>-293,593</b>	<b>-393,373</b>	<b>-217,261</b>	<b>-202,215</b>	<b>-208,826</b>	<b>-215,767</b>
<b>NET TOTAL</b>	<b>532,090</b>	<b>430,941</b>	<b>459,305</b>	<b>297,912</b>	<b>295,004</b>	<b>286,503</b>	<b>302,002</b>
<b>TARGET (2.5% inflation + 0.5% growth)</b>	<b>461,651</b>	<b>475,500</b>	<b>489,765</b>	<b>504,458</b>	<b>519,592</b>	<b>535,180</b>	<b>551,235</b>
<b>Delta</b>	<b>70,439</b>	<b>-44,559</b>	<b>-30,460</b>	<b>-206,546</b>	<b>-224,588</b>	<b>-248,677</b>	<b>-249,233</b>

## REPORT OF THE CEMETERY SEXTON

*Herbert Reed, Cemetery Sexton*



As another year comes to a close and another begins, I would like to re-cap some of the projects that have been completed along with a short list of future needs.

In the year 2000 trees were pruned and electricity added, we have nearly finalized our projects that were planned.

In the past three years we have installed a drainage system, a road program, fencing, water and now electricity. All of these benefit the overall appearance and usability of the Plaistow Cemetery.

In the coming three year period we would like to institute a tree planting program along with a new flag pole in the shed area with lights and also an expansion program that should complete our needs for the next several years.

In closing I would like to thank all of those involved that have made these benefits happen. The cemetery can stand on its own as a Town monument of pride, rich in history with a very pleasing appearance and sincere dedication to all who use it.

As always, I look forward to serving the Town's needs in the future.





## REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

*Timothy Moore, Chairman*



The Conservation Commission had one of its most active and successful years in a long time. Over the past 4 to 5 years we have been working with a forester, Charles Marino, to develop a forest management plan for our Town owned properties. The plan was completed in the spring and presented to the Selectmen and Planning Board. Weather permitting the timber harvest from the first compartment, an area of approximately 78 acres out of a total of approximately 250 acres, will get under way before the end of 2000. In the late spring, early summer, Boy Scouts from Troop 18 sponsored by the Holy Angels Church laid out a loop trail with a connecting trail and bridge to cross Kelly Brook. The work on the loop trail was done as an Eagle Scout project for Pete McHugh and the bridge and connecting trail was done as an Eagle Scout project for Pat McHugh. An excellent job was done by Pat, Pete, and all the members of Troop 18 who worked on the 2 projects. We are looking forward to working with Troop 18 again this spring to do some more trail work.

At last year's Town Meeting we sponsored a warrant article to set up a conservation/forestry fund that will allow forest revenues and change of use land tax penalties to be placed in the fund. The establishment of this fund allowed the work on the trails, done by the Scouts, and the timber harvest to go forward.

We are continuing to work with the Aquifer Protection ordinance, also enacted at last year's Town Meeting, to insure the quality and quantity of our aquifer does not deteriorate.

We applied for a grant from the State of New Hampshire in conjunction with the Merrimack River Watershed Council to identify and monitor all storm water drainage structures. Although we did not receive the grant because we did not focus on restoration of already polluted areas, the review committee felt the project was worth while doing and recommended we apply for a slightly different type of grant. The filing deadline for that application was November 20, 2000; we expect to find out the results some time in late December, early January.



## REPORT ON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

*William T. Scully, Director*



Preparation for Y2K was in place for the new millennium. The Emergency Operation Center was open and staffed at the beginning of the New Year. I am happy to report that no Y2K problems occurred.

During 2000 the Office of Emergency Management worked on updating the Town's Emergency Plan and took part in state training.

A grant was secured from the State of New Hampshire Office of Emergency Management in the amount of \$4,344.84 to offset fifty percent of the cost to install the generator at the town hall. The Plaistow Firemen's Association donated an emergency generator with an estimated cost value of \$20,000. I would like to thank Fire Chief Donald Petzold and Building Inspector Michael Dorman for all of their work in securing bids and installation of the generator.

I would like to thank those individuals who came forward to offer their services to the town in anticipation of future emergencies. There continues to be a need for personnel with specialized skills or equipment to assist the Office of Emergency Management during a time of emergency. You are encouraged to volunteer to be on a call list, if you are willing to provide services or equipment.





## REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

*Donald Petzold, Fire Chief*



The Year 2000 brought many challenges to the Fire Department. Sadly, the year began as we mourned the loss of the six firefighters in Worcester. Tragedies of that magnitude cause us to reflect on what we do for the town and the associated risk we might face on any given alarm.

We asked the town to support our efforts to implement two full-time firefighters to cover the day shift. As Fire Chief, I thank the Selectmen and former Town Manager, Bob Belmore, for their support of this effort. More importantly, I thank the residents of the town for approving this initiative on the ballot. Although this may not seem like a radical change, similar situations in other communities across the nation find dissention between the volunteer/call members and the full-time career staff. I am happy to report, this is not the case in Plaistow. Both the traditional call force and full-time staff have risen to this challenge and have integrated in a nearly seamless fashion. I am taking this opportunity to publicly thank the members of this department for their continued dedication and professionalism.

We also had several significant advances in technology this year. We continue to provide Advanced Life Support EMS, which began last year. We upgraded our cardiac defibrillator to a cardiac monitor, capable of not only defibrillation but also 12-lead ECG monitoring and bi-phasic cardioversion. As of this writing, we are the only department in southern NH with that capability. With the assistance of the Firemens Association, we were able to acquire and outfit our first transporting ambulance. Although a secondary piece of apparatus, it has been called into service on several occasions when our contract ambulance service has been overloaded. These advances, and the willingness of the members to support these activities, demonstrate our desire to continue to provide the best possible service to the Town.

### Alarm/Call Summary

Type	# of Alarms	Type	# of Alarms
Auto Fires	5	Odor Investigations	10
Boiler/Heater Malfunction	11	Other (non-specific)	29
Carbon Monoxide Alarms	7	Rescue/Medical Only	358
Fire Alarm Activations	100	Smoke Investigations	8
Hazardous Materials	4	Structure Fires	12
Motor Vehicle Accidents	123	Woods/Grass Fires	6
Mutual Aid (provided)	8	<b>Total (All Alarms)</b>	<b>681</b>



## REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

*Continued*



As Fire Chief, I applaud all members of the department, and their families, for their dedication and commitment to the Town. Beyond the number of alarms they answer, many hours are spent each week in training, ensuring they have the skills necessary to meet the everyday challenges that face the fire service. More often than not, their efforts are generally not well publicized. All too often, it is taken for granted that when someone dials 9-1-1, no matter what time of day or night, there will be someone there to answer the call. I am proud to say that I am thankful for their service, commitment and dedication.

The Fire Department not only protects its citizens by fighting fires, preventing fires and helping with medical rescues, it also has been a valuable assistant to Santa Claus for over thirty years. Without the assistance of the Fire Department, Santa would not be driven by nearly all the homes in town a week before Christmas. It takes 8-10 hours to show Santa around town, but the department members willingly give their time for this worthy cause. During that time Santa throws candy to children (and adults) as an appetizer for the upcoming Holiday.



## REPORT OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

*Mary Ellen Tufts, Health Officer*



This past year began rather quietly with regular Health Department duties: inspections of food service establishments; day and foster care inspections; addressing housing standards; following up on water complaints; and other health concerns.

Several times this year, the NH Department of Health and Human Services in conjunction with the CDC sponsored workshops on bioterrorism. There is a growing concern among health professionals as to the effects of the potential use of bioterrorist activities and the impact it would have on the public health.

In August I had the opportunity to attend a national symposium in Baltimore on indoor air quality (IAQ) in schools. This was all-expenses paid trip made possible through the EPA and the International County and Municipal Association, which the Town is a member of. There were a wide variety of topics covered: the great increase of asthma in school children; the effects of IAQ on the ability of students to learn properly; creative strategies to correct indoor air problems through the use of the program *Tools for Schools*; and the chance to hear firsthand how other school districts throughout the country solved IAQ problems.

In September our community had the opportunity to work with the State and the SAU to solve the IAQ situation at the Timberlane High School. The school was not prepared for what impact 1100 pairs of feet would have by walking on exposed concrete floors. Dust from the concrete impacted the health of some students and staff. Through the cooperative effort of all agencies, the school was temporarily closed in order to install floor tile. There was a significant decrease in dust generation and health complaints afterwards.

Even though scientists have identified a vast number of microbial pathogens, we are still experiencing the discovery of new strains that are usually viral. This summer we experienced the transmission of the West Nile virus from the New York area northward through New England. West Nile virus infects birds, bats and some warm-blooded animals. It is transmitted to humans by the bite of certain strains of mosquitoes and causes encephalitis. Health agencies are attempting to develop a vaccine as well as discovering the best methods to eradicate the mosquito strains responsible for spreading this illness.





## REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

*Daniel Garlington, Highway Supervisor*

The Highway Department personnel saw some changes in 2000. Mario Mejia transferred over to the town's Maintenance Department in early spring. This left an opening that, because of the demand & levitated hourly wages in the private sector, we have not been able to fill. The Highway Department now consists of Glen Peabody (12 years of service), Dana Rabito (2 years of service) & myself (14 years of service). Even short handed all summer, the department with assistance from outside contractors, still completed several projects. I have listed some of them below:

We cut brush along the sides of the roads for about 250 hours. This is mostly done for sight distance at intersections & visibility of signage. Due to wet to sunny weather conditions this year, the brush has grown out of control. What did not get cut in 2000 we hope to do in 2001.

One of our major projects in 2000 was the much needed drainage improvements on Shady Lane. The town hired Al Hoyt & Sons, Inc. from Plaistow to install 9 new catch basins & approximately 1,000 feet of drainage pipe. This improvement will make a huge difference with the residents & with the wintertime maintenance of Shady Lane.

We repaired 8 existing catch basins that were deteriorating. Mostly they needed the blocks replaced & remortared. Also in the fall, the town hired R. J. Barratt from Westford, MA to clean all 413 town maintained catch basins. This cleaning will get them ready for winter & also allows us the ability to inspect the basin & address any serious problems with them right away.

This summer, Continental Paving from Londonderry, NH applied a hot top overlay on Westville Road & Pollard Road. This will seal the road in attempt to preserve the road base that was re-established ten years ago. They also placed a preventive shim coat on Kelley Road & portions of Old County Road. We put down approximately 2,800 tons total.

Centerlines & fog lines were re-established on our main roads. This was done by L & D Safety Markings from Barre, VT. Also Tristate Striping painted stop bars at 110 intersections around town. My goal within the next the next couple years is to have stop bars & stop signs at all intersections that warrant them.

Looking ahead to 2001, I hope to make drainage improvements on Old County Road & Congressional Avenue. Also I plan to shim Greenough Road, Harriman Road & Jesse George Road from Route 125 to Danville Road.

Also, I would like to replace the 1985 Caterpillar front-end loader. This machine has a serious "blow by" problem, which is when engine oil is leaking by & burned off. My intentions are to purchase the replacement loader on a lease to own plan for five years @ \$20,000 per year. I would appreciate the taxpayer's support with this purchase.

Again, I cannot complete this town report without thanking Glen & Dana & their families for all their unselfish dedication to the Town of Plaistow. Also thank you to all the outside contractors that lend a hand with drainage, hot topping & snowplowing. It is this dedication & hard work by all that makes Plaistow, New Hampshire, a great place to live & visit.



## REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE

*Merilyn P. Senter, Chairman*



In the year 2000, Highway Safety continued to meet monthly to discuss a variety of plans and issued before the Planning Board. We still consider the Technical Review Committee very useful and we appreciate its input into our deliberations.

Among the projects we reviewed in 2000 were: an expansion of the Family Bank facility; addressed concerns about parking alongside Blossom Road; reviewed a proposed commercial/residential development at 38 Newton Road; received permission from the state to have a public hearing for a stop sign at Chris's Country Deli parking lot where it enters Garden Road; reviewed a proposal for the corner of Route 125 and Old County Road; discussed the continuing problems at the intersection of Hale Spring/Smith Corner/Sweet Hill/Palmer Avenue; addressed parking problems at Pollard School; addressed concerns of residents in the Deer Hollow area re bus stops; revisited the state/town road swap; reviewed a preliminary 198,000 acre industrial development at 194 Plaistow Road; reviewed proposed Highway Safety Agency grants for the Police Department; addressed residents' concerns about speeding on several streets; and discussed where sidewalks should be built in the future.

As a final item of business, members, who consist mainly of town department heads, and to accommodate our clerk, Nikki Carr, voted to change the meeting day and time for Highway Safety to meet. Meetings are held at 1 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month, unless an applicant is unable to meet at that time.

As always, we must aggressively support expansion of our sidewalks that make sense and to provide safety advice to the Planning Board as requested.

The Highway Safety Committee consists of: Merilyn P. Senter, selectman (Chairman); Daniel Garlington, Highway Department Supervisor (Vice Chairman); Donald Petzold, Fire Chief; Stephen C. Savage, Police Chief; David Hoyt, Planning Board; David Walker, Rockingham Planning Commission; Kathleen Giragosian, Citizen Representative; Nikki Carr, Clerk/Minute taker.

## REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

*Bernadine FitzGerald, President*



Elected Officers for the year 2000 were: Bernadine A. Fitzgerald, President; Bill Hubbard, Vice-President; Brenda Major, Treasurer; Nancy Marston, Corresponding Secretary; Katherine Rowell, Publicity Chairman; Gladys Tozier, Program Chairman; Anna Tozier, Secretary.

To Commence the year 2000, we met on March 21, 2000. The Plaistow Historical Society did not meet during January or February 2000. Our March program was a "Show 'n Tell" when each person present would bring an item with historical interest for purpose of discussion and display by our members. Paul Holmes presented a musical tape and a written documentation by Linwood Clay of his musical presentation to our Society late in 1999.

In April, our program included a most beautiful video of travel through the Panama Canal, interpreted by Canal traveler, Katherine Rowell.

Miss Ruth Stimson, in May, presented a wonderful informative slide and lecture program on the Isles of Shoal (islands located just off the Maine and New Hampshire Coast). Miss Stimson was Rockingham County Home Demonstration Agent for many years.

For our June 2000 meeting's program, the Vice-President of the Atkinson Historical Society presented the lecture: "History of Atkinson, NH".

In September, following our summer vacation of July and August we viewed (via video) The Tall Ships, Parade of Sail 2000, in Boston.

In October, Chad Putney, Plaistow Fire Department spokesman presented an excellent dialogue with us on Fire Safety and Fire Prevention Tips, including a very good question and answer discussion.

From "My Homes to Your Homes" was the November, 2000 program. Each member present tonight was to discuss interesting traits or histories of his or her Plaistow Home(s) through the years. It was a very interesting program.

Our wonderful Christmas Party was our final meeting for the year 2000. A wonderful time was had by all with hostess: Katherine Rowell at the Village Square Restaurant in Hampstead, NH.

The emphasis in 2000 was to ready our new workroom at the rear of the museum for use. Our former museum workroom area was upstairs in our museum. The stairs were so steep and narrow that many members had difficulty climbing the stairs. Therefore we have a lot of uncompleted work to do. All donations to the Plaistow Historical Society have to be cataloged before display.

For fund raising for our Plaistow Historical Society, we rented spaces to crafters and vendors on the Village Green as well as having a bake sale for Plaistow's Old Home Day in June 2000.

If you are interested in joining the Plaistow, NH Historical Society, please come to any of our programs or meetings. New members and visitors are always welcome.



## REPORT OF THE HUMAN SERVICE DEPARTMENT

*Carrie Chooljian, Human Service Coordinator*



The Human Services Office continued to provide a variety of services to the residents of Plaistow throughout year 2000. There were seventeen (17) residents who received financial assistance on one occasion, and eleven who then received additional assistance in subsequent months. There were also five (5) residents who were denied financial assistance due to ineligibility.

Many residents continue to call the office for inquiries of services, for a variety of situations. There are several human service agencies that receive financial support from the Town of Plaistow and they are always ready and willing to lend a helping hand. Please call the Human Services Office whenever you have questions, or would like information about the various services that are available.

The Clothing Basement received a little face lift this year with the help of our maintenance employee Dave Bowles. Dave was able to take some old shelves from the Library and install them for clothing, and other items, which has made a big improvement! Thanks for all your hard work! And a special thank you to the volunteers who continue to help keep things tidy all year long.

I would also like to thank the local Plaistow organizations that continue to support those residents that are in need throughout the year. They include the Plaistow Lion's Club, St. Jude's Knights of Columbus Council, People Helping People, Plaistow Fish & Game, Plaistow Fish and Game Ladies Organization, American Legion Carl G. Davis Post #34, and the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary.

The Human Services Office is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Please feel free to call or stop in to discuss the various services that are available to all Plaistow residents.





## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

*Laurie Houlihan, Library Director*



With great joy and anticipation, we opened the doors to the new Plaistow Public Library on May 15, 2000 at 9:00 a.m. The support of the people of Plaistow and the generous trust fund given by Mary Nelson made this project a possibility. The uncompromising dedication and perseverance of the Library Board of Trustees, under the extremely capable leadership of Catherine Emmons, made the library a reality. The Town of Plaistow now has a state of the art library that will serve the needs of the community today and for many years to come.

The Board of Trustees proudly presented the new library to the people of Plaistow at the official dedication on June 24, 2000. Family members of Mary and William Nelson, Elizabeth and Robert Bleiler and family, attended the dedication and shared their memories of the Nelsons with those gathered to celebrate the library opening. Vivian Crockett, Librarian in Plaistow from 1957 to 1972, was able to attend the ceremonies, thus prompting the Selectmen to officially declared June 24, 2000 "Vivian Crockett Day"! Jeanne Shaheen, Governor of New Hampshire, also attended the dedication and had the honor of cutting the ribbon and inviting the public to tour the library and have refreshments. It was a wonderful day to celebrate the completion of the beautiful new building and to acknowledge those responsible for our success.

In so many ways, the successful completion of the library was made possible by a variety of people. The architectural firm, Sheerr McCrystal and Palson, represented by architects Eric Palson and Christopher Lizotte, and the construction management firm, Bauen Corporation, represented by Andre Kloetz and Adam Downs were a pleasure to work with and the quality of the completed library is a testament to their competency and professionalism. Several local contractors and business people were extremely generous with their time and through their donated efforts, we were able to receive local expertise as well as financial relief.

The Friends of the Library provided support, not only during the dedication but also during the entire project by sponsoring the brick walkway. The people of Plaistow generously purchased over 400 bricks for their walkway, thus providing additional financial support for the library project. The brick walkway was a wonderful way to allow people to express their support for the library as well as a way to recognize or memorialize a friend or beloved family member. The Fund Raising Committee was able to raise additional financial donations from the business community and individuals. Several people donated items for the new building and many people volunteered time and much needed encouragement.

Finally, the wonderful staff at the library was very supportive and often carried far more than their share of the workload, as I became more involved with the construction of the new library. Thank you to Marjorie Knowles, Flo Rullo, LuAnn Blair, Arlene Letourneau, Alexandra Holmes, Kristin Wicks, Jason Stack, Alyssa Stack, Nicole Fratus, Dave Bowles and Mario Majia.

It has been an incredible year! We were off and running from the moment we opened our doors and expect to continue at this pace far into the future.



### LIBRARY STATISTICS 2000

#### Materials purchased

Adult (includes Reference)	.....	592	
Juvenile	.....	500	
Videos	.....	55	
Audio cassettes	.....	20	
CDs	.....	0	1,176

#### Gifts added to the collection

Books	.....	77	
Videos	.....	9	
Audio cassettes	.....	74	
CDs	.....	0	
CD ROM	.....	<u>0</u>	160

Total videos in collection ..... 709

Total audio cassettes in collection..... 641

Total CDs in collection ..... 113

Total CD ROM materials ..... 24

Total Magazine/Newspaper subscriptions ..... 64

Gift subscriptions ..... 4

Books lost/paid for ..... 19

Total materials in collection ..... 33,458  
(including periodicals)

Total circulation ..... 56,039

Registered patrons ..... 4,261

Total visits by patrons ..... 38,584

Days open ..... 289

# REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

*Catherine Emmons, Chairperson*



## PLAISTOW PUBLIC LIBRARY 2000 REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

INCOME	
TOWN OF PLAISTOW	\$308,969.00
DONATIONS	6,136.00
FINES	4,116.15
COPIER FEES	1,203.30
INTEREST ON DEPOSITS	2,736.37
LOST BOOKS	243.60
T-SHIRT SALES	51.50
BOOK SALES	157.55
NON-RESIDENT FEES	2,240.00
FURNITURE SALE	398.00
GRANT	117.00
MARY NELSON TRUST FUND	70,000.00
TOTAL	\$396,368.47
EXPENSES	
BOND PAYMENT	85,000.00
BOOKS	17,231.62
BUILDING INSURANCE	2,500.00
BUILDING PROGRAM	108,802.79
CONTINUING EDUCATION	716.73
ELECTRICITY	15,527.62
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	11,193.60
GAS	7,547.44
JANITOR SERVICE	11,431.76
MISCELLANEOUS	785.48
PERIODICALS	2,919.09
POSTAGE	610.08
PROFESSIONAL DUES	265.00



# REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

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PUBLIC ACTIVITIES	1,072.00
REFERENCE	6,024.43
REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE	1,029.58
SALARY EXPENSES	123,858.90
SECURITY	255.00
SUPPLIES	7,354.75
TELEPHONE	1,784.93
TECHNOLOGY	1,774.90
TOTAL	407,685.70
LIBRARY ACCOUNT BALANCES 12/31/2000	
ROGER B. HILL MEMORIAL FUND	\$ 12,092.61
FINES/LOST BOOKS FUND	12,413.04
SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND	26,708.01
MARY NELSON TRUST DISBURSEMENT FUND	6,185.97
MEMORIAL FUNDS (IN HONOR OF): ANNIE L. DOW MARY GILMAN MURIEL HERRICK SHEILA MCPHERSON PAUL D. PALMER IRVING E. PEASLEE VIRGINIA ROBINSON DAVID WOOD	10,814.28
DONALD R. WILLIS MEMORIAL FUND	975.84
CONTI FAMILY FUND	613.11
MARY NELSON TRUST	590,313.15

## REPORT OF THE PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

*Andrew T. Antczak, Director*



My first year as Director of the Parks & Recreation Department will surely be a memorable one. Despite the fact Pollard School was closed to the Summer Recreation Program due to asbestos removal, the lack of field space, rain on our Easter Egg Hunt Day, and the resignation of Bob Belmore as Town Manager, our department saw all-time highs for revenue in all phases. More importantly, I feel we gave the children and adults of Plaistow alike better programs in 2000, and hope to continue to improve on all of our past successes.

Our biggest concern entering the year 2001 continues to be the decreasing amount of field space we have to run our programs. The proposed paving at Pollard School further threatens the entire baseball program, while the construction taking place at the High School and Middle School pose the same problems for our softball programs. I can't stress this enough: we need our own, town-owned recreational complex. The Plaistow Area Recreation Complex Committee and the Recreation Department have both worked hard to try and achieve this lofty goal, but we need your help.

The Summer Recreation Program was extremely successful despite having to cancel several days and a couple of field trips due to rain. The staff and campers alike worked hard to make sure it was a fun and fulfilling summer. We took field trips to the Boston Museum of Science, Cederdale Outing Center, Canobie Lake Park, Hampton Beach, bowling and to the movies. We had Curious Creatures visit the Town Green, and every week had a variety of other events. Our Carnival Day was improved by the addition of a large water slide leading to wider smiles. We had a total of 227 different participants over the six-week program, in addition to 16 counselors, 16 counselors-in-training (CITs), and 10 junior CITs. I want to thank my entire staff for their extra efforts, and the campers and parents for the group of fine young people that attended our program.

The Plaistow Softball and Baseball programs had a very successful summer as well. The Plaistow Thunder (14 and under team) won the New Hampshire Softball State Title, then traveled to Marietta, Georgia where they placed 17<sup>th</sup> in the nation. The Plaistow Storm (16 and under team) won the Raymond Tournament, and The Plaistow Lightning (18 and under team) won both the Laconia and Bow Tournaments. Our Little League Team also fared well, finishing second in both the Haverhill and West Newbury Tournaments.

The Recreation Department sponsored Community Trips to see the Tall Ships, Disney On Ice, two Red Sox games (one a Pedro Martinez shut-out), and Yankee Candle in S. Deerfield, Massachusetts. We also donated Coach Buses for two senior trips through the Vic Geary Center, one to the East Hill Farm in Troy, NH, to see the fall foliage, and the other to Lake Sunapee for a cruise with lunch on board. A good time was experienced by all.

The Recreation Program would like to thank all those parent coaches, volunteers, businesses, and town employees who have participated in or helped support our programs. Without you, we would not succeed. Thank you.





## **REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD & PATAC**

*Timothy Moore, Planning Board Chairman*

*Timothy Moore, PATAC Chairman*

The membership of the Planning Board changed considerably in this past year. With the 2000 Town Election, Dave Hoyt was elected for a three-year term and Steve Ranlett was elected for a one-year term. With the election of Robert Gray to the Board of Selectmen, a vacancy in the membership was filled first by alternate, Michael Penta and then by alternate, Vance Kelly. Also, Barbara Hobbs was appointed as an alternate. After the resignation of these three members, Brad Halliday, alternate, was appointed as a member to fill the remainder of that term until March 2001. The Board extends their appreciation to Barbara, Mike and Vance for the opportunity to work with them. The Board also extends best wishes to Nicole Carr who resigned as the minute taker to further her education.

The Technical Review Committee reviewed approximately forty-five plans. Some of the plans approved by the Board included site expansions, new buildings and subdivisions.

Mear's Tractors, 192 Plaistow Road	17,970 sq. ft.
Richard E. Gregoire, 210 Plaistow Road	16,800 sq. ft.
Wayne Couture, Property between Major Ln/Stamwood Ave.	5 Lot S/D
D & H Construction, 38 Newton Road	2 Lot S/D Commercial / PRD
Scandia Plastics, 55 Westville Road	2,220 sq. ft. addition

With the assistance of Glenn Greenwood from the Rockingham Planning Commission, the Board is in the process of updating two chapters of the Master Plan. The update of the Master Plan is of paramount importance since the current plan was adopted in 1988. Unfortunately, it is taking a longer time to get a "jumpstart" on the update of the Master Plan since the Community Profiles Event did not come to fruition. The implementation of the Impact Fees for the entire Route 125 Corridor is also in its final stages.

The Planning Board has several proposals to amend the Zoning Ordinance that include amendments to Article III General Provisions - Section 300:1, One Building Per Lot and Section 300:4 Non-Conforming Uses; Article IV Wetlands Ordinance - Section 408 Minimum Lot Size; Article V - Establishment of District & District Regulations, Table 504.1 Industrial and Table 504.2 Commercial I, Section 514 Location of Driveways; Article VI Planned Residential Development; Article VII - Affordable Elderly House Community; and various other changes that include access management.

### **Plaistow Area Transit Advisory Committee**

PATAC was again in a holding pattern throughout 2000. Our primary goal is still to extend the MBTA commuter rail service to Plaistow at the Westville Road Park and Ride. We have been waiting for the Boston to Portland Amtrak service to begin operations and finally it looks like that will be a reality during the first half of 2001. There is still a lot of work to be done, but progress is being made at a very slow rate.



## REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

*Stephen C. Savage, Chief of Police*



During 2000, all department members participated in approximately 1350 training hours to include the Basic Academy. We experienced a number of full and part-time employees moving on to other positions outside the Town of Plaistow. As a result, it was necessary to replace personnel and train them in order to maintain current staffing levels and safety for all in the Town of Plaistow. These shortages severely impacted our Operating Budget in all lines dealing with personnel.

Our K-9 team, consisting of Officer Alec Porter and partners, Rajah and Stryker, continued to be a valuable component through the year. We expect in year 2001 that Stryker will become fully trained thereby allowing Rajah to "retire".

Our DARE effort in 2000 at Pollard School did not live up to our expectations because of transitioning personnel. As a result, we opted to do an alternative program as a stopgap measure. We have selected Officer Joan Marsilia as our DARE officer and trained her with the idea of early 2001 as her start date. We hope that this will satisfy the desires of parents and staff at Pollard.

During 2000, we changed our staffing level in our Special Investigation Unit (S.I.U.) from 1.1 full-time officers to 2.0. It is currently comprised of Sgt. Thomas Hawthorne and Detective Glenn Miller. They are tasked with most follow-up investigations, serious misdemeanor investigations, and drug cases. They handled, to date, 88 cases, made 17 arrests totaling 51 individual charges and sought 8 arrest warrants. They also handled approximately 676 calls for service. We believe assigning 2 full-time officers to the unit will increase their productivity in the new year. Our Victim-Witness Advocate, Vanessa Underwood, handled 98 cases including Domestic Violence, Stalking, and Violation of Restraining Orders, Criminal Threatening, and Assaults. Her importance to victims cannot be underscored enough in this report.

Our Communications Center added the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) full-time dispatcher thereby allowing us to have two (2) dispatchers on duty from 9:00AM to 5:00PM four days a week. We still struggled to find part-time replacement dispatchers during the year and are still shorthanded at the time of this report. Our Communications Supervisor, Lucia Theberge, reports that her unit received 17,503 Calls for Service in 2000. We believe the numbers parallel our Town's rapid growth rate and escalating demands for service.

Our Patrol or Operations Division, supervised by Sgts. Patrick Caggiano and Scott Anderson, report the following chart of statistics for 2000:

Some high points that were reached in the year 2000 was the replacement of our aged Dictaphone recorder in Communications, replacement of a 1987 Safety Complex Closed Circuit Television System, assimilation of a new Dispatcher and part-time Victim Witness Advocate into the budget, and replacement of cruiser radar units. These projects would not have been possible without support from residents/taxpayers. We deeply appreciate your support.

Our Patrol or Operations Division, supervised by Sgt. Patrick Caggiano and Sgt. Scott Anderson, report the following chart of statistics for 2000:

# REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## Crime Statistics – Through – December 1, 2000

	<u>Jan. 1, 1999</u> <u>to Dec. 1, 1999</u>	<u>Jan. 1, 2000</u> <u>to Dec. 1, 2000</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Murder/Manslaughter:	0	0	0	0%
Burglary:	54	52	-2	-4%
Theft/Robbery:	236	214	-22	-9%
MV Theft/Recovery:	49	34	-15	-31%
Criminal Mischief:	215	150	-65	-30%
DWI:	22	27	5	23%
MV Accidents:	477	455	-22	-5%
Alarms (police):	892	963	71	8%
Assaults:	122	88	-34	-28%
Sexual Assaults:	19	14	-5	-26%
Traffic Citations:	492	811	319	65%
MV Stops:	2025	3533	1508	74%
Domestic Calls:	126	123	-3	-2%
Arrests - Adult:	270	355	85	31%
Arrests - Juvenile:	53	49	-4	-8%
Arrests - MV:	66	89	23	35%
All Calls for Service:	15336	17503	2167	23%

Some high points that were reached in the year 2000 was the replacement of our aged Dictaphone recorder in Communications, replacement of a 1987 Safety Complex Closed Circuit Television System, assimilation of a new Dispatcher and part-time Victim Witness Advocate into the budget, and replacement of cruiser radar units. These projects would not have been possible without support from residents/taxpayers. We deeply appreciate your support.

Our day-to-day operations, from payroll to court docketing, could never be efficiently accomplished without the competent assistance of Secretaries Paula Brown and Nancy Hetherington.

Lastly, a manager is never particularly effective without the support, loyalty, and work ethic of a superb number two. Lt. Kathleen Jones has proven, time and again, on all tasks to be that person. I am especially proud of her and all her subordinates as evidence by the statistics reflected above.

We are a department in transition and, I believe, that continuous transition, tempered with stability, makes us better at our jobs. Change is inevitable and not to be feared.

“There is only one real failure in life that is possible, and that is not to be true to the best we know”.

-Fred Farrar



## REPORT OF SENH HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MUTUAL AND DISTRICT

*Mr. Richard Plante, Londonderry Town Manager, Board of Directors Chairman*

*Chief Alan J. Sypek, Londonderry Fire Dept, Operations Committee Chairman*



The Southeastern New Hampshire Hazardous Materials Mutual Aid District is organized as a regional solution to the hazardous materials response problem. The purpose of the district is to prepare our communities, regionally, for responses to hazardous materials incidents, both with training and equipment. The 14 communities that comprise the district are: Auburn, Atkinson, Chester, Danville, Derry, East Derry, Hampstead, Hooksett, Litchfield, Londonderry, Pelham, Plaistow, Salem, and Windham.

The District is managed by an Operations Committee, consisting of a Chief Officer from each member community, who carry out the day-to-day business of the organization; and a Board of Directors, consisting of an elected or appointed member of municipal government in each member community, who provide oversight and fiscal management. The District has the highest level of response available for hazmat, Level "A".

District resources include two response trailers, equipped with generators, oil spill and decontamination equipment, chemical reference material, protective suits, and communications equipment. This year the District purchased a new response truck and trailer equipped for the team. The District trailers and truck are strategically located to respond to any community requesting them. An EMS Mass Casualty trailer is located in Londonderry and available for response to medical incidents with a large number of patients.

The District's Level "A" Hazmat team, comprised of fire personnel from member communities, has responded to many incidents and received praise from regulatory agencies on the professionalism of its operation. The team trains monthly, and is on-call to respond to member communities, to conduct research, advise the incident commander on control activities and safety, and fill incident command system staff positions. They also assist member communities with planning, since the District has been recognized as a regional Local Emergency Planning Committee, to comply with SARA Title III of the federal regulations governing hazardous materials. This allows the District to be eligible for Emergency Management Assistance funding.

This year the District participated in the national hazmat drill in Portsmouth, as well as a drill conducted with the US Army Civil Support Team and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms. This drill focused on weapons of mass destruction, such as chemical or biological agents. The District has completed and filed with the state a regional emergency plan for such terrorist incidents.

Your fire department and local officials continue to make progress in providing the most cost effective manner of responding to a hazardous materials incident.



## REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT

*Donald Sargent, Water Supervisor*



There was a well put in at the Maple Avenue Pump house this year to make it self contained in case of a big draw on the pond for water in case of a fire, we can refill it from the well. In the summer with the heat the water drops a lot also.

This year we didn't have a water line break in any of the system. We did have a hydrant hit by a car or truck without the driver letting us know. This could hurt the fire department if there is a fire to fight. Please at least call and tell someone if you damage a hydrant.

There is worn gland on the Maple Avenue Pump house diesel pump that is in need of fixing. The companies that did this before do not do it now. I have found someone new that may do it for us soon.

The water tower has many antennas on it this year, which will bring in money at no cost to the town.

The Town must think about extending the water line in case of a line break we can shut off the break and continue the water flow. This is for safety of the people, businesses and fireman who will be fighting the fire.

Thank you for the help some of you have given me this past year.



## REPORT OF THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

*Lawrence M. Ordway, Chairman*



2000 has been a year of change for the Plaistow Zoning Board of Adjustment. In October, the Board bid a fond farewell to long-time Administrative Assistant, Ruth Palmer. Ruth retired after many years of dedicated service to the ZBA and will be greatly missed. We all wish her health and happiness in her future endeavors.

We regret that Ronald Charette resigned his position with the ZBA. The Board thanks Ron for his hard work and dedication. The Board welcomes Nicole Carr as Administrative Assistant. The Board would like to thank Norman Major for serving as an alternate. Norman is a great asset to the Board.

The number of cases appearing before the ZBA increased this year. In 1999, 42 cases were heard. As of December 2000, 52 cases have appeared before the Board.

Applications are available in the Inspections Office and must be received at the Town Hall two (2) weeks prior to the meeting date. Meetings of the ZBA are held the last Thursday of each month.

We look forward to the year 2001 and the opportunity to continue to assist in the progress of the Town of Plaistow.



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TOWN OF PLAISTOW  
NEW HAMPSHIRE



*2001 Plaistow Ballot Questions*  
*Warrant as amended by Deliberative Session February 10,*  
*2001*  
*Candidates for Vacant Office*

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## 2001 Plaistow Ballot Questions

### *Candidates for Vacant Offices*

To the inhabitants of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire, in the County of Rockingham in said state, qualified to vote in town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet for the first session of the annual town meeting at the Timberlane Regional Middle School in said Plaistow on Saturday, February 10, 2001 at 10:00 AM in the forenoon to explain, discuss and debate each Article and to determine the form for the questions on the ballot, except those warrant articles where wording is prescribed by law. The final voting on all warrant articles will take place by official ballot at the second session.

Further, you are hereby notified to meet for the second session of the annual town meeting at Sawyer's Banquet Hall, 182 Plaistow Road (Route 125), in said Plaistow on Tuesday, March, 13, 2001 from 8:00 AM in the forenoon until 8:00 PM in the afternoon to elect officers and to act on the following Articles by official ballot voting.

The articles begin with "P" to differentiate these town articles from the school district article numbers.

**Article P-1.** To elect all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

<u>SELECTMEN FOR THREE YEARS</u> CHARLES (BUZZY) BLINN MICHAEL L. EMMONS WARREN J. RAVEN JOHN A. SHERMAN THOMAS J. VINCI	<u>VOTE FOR TWO</u>
<u>TOWN CLERK FOR THREE YEARS</u> BARBARA E. TAVITIAN	<u>VOTE FOR ONE</u>
<u>TREASURER FOR THREE YEARS</u> BERNADINE A FITZGERALD	<u>VOTE FOR ONE</u>
<u>TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS FOR THREE YEARS</u> HELEN A. HART	<u>VOTE FOR ONE</u>
<u>FIRE ENGINEERS FOR ONE YEAR</u> RICHARD A COLCORD 1 <sup>ST</sup> ENGINEER JOHN H. MCARDLE 2 <sup>ND</sup> ENGINEER MICHAEL F. BORGES 3 <sup>RD</sup> ENGINEER DAVID R SARGENT 4 <sup>TH</sup> ENGINEER	<u>VOTE FOR FOUR</u>
<u>PLANNING BOARD FOR THREE YEARS</u> BRAD HALLIDAY	<u>VOTE FOR TWO</u>

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STEVEN RANLETT

MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS

VOTE FOR FOUR

BRENDA F. MAJOR

NORMAN A. MARQUIS

JANIS S. PENTA

MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE FOR 1 YEAR

VOTE FOR ONE

T, RICHARD LATHAM

TRUSTEE OF PUBLI LIBRARY FOR THREE YEARS

VOTE FOR TWO

CATHERINE EMMONS

JENNIFER KIARSIS

SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST SIX YEARS

VOTE FOR ONE

ELEANOR P. PEABODY

AUDITORS FOR ONE YEAR

VOTE FOR TWO

**Article P-2.** Shall the town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant article and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$4,358,079? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$4,122,846 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Recommended by the Budget Committee. Recommended by Board of Selectmen.)

**Article P-3.** Shall the town vote to accept the NH Department of Transportation Highway Block Grant in the amount of \$123,593 for equipment and road maintenance, construction and reconstruction of Class IV and V roads in accordance with Chapter 235 of the NH Revised Statutes Annotated and appropriate said sum for equipment and local highway maintenance? (Recommended by the Selectmen, Budget Committee and Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) Committee)

[Intent: This State Aid Program provides four payments during the calendar year 2001 based on estimated revenues and therefore the Grant could change but it would not affect the appropriation amount of \$123,593]

**Article P-4.** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 to be added to the Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund for apparatus vehicle(s)? (Recommended by the Selectmen, Budget Committee and CIP Committee)

[Intent: The \$50,000 would be added to the established capital reserve fund which as of October 2000 = \$80,426]

**Article P-5.** Shall the town vote to establish a full-time secretarial position to the Town Manager's office to provide secretarial support and cross training to other positions and vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$27,800 which represents the cost of wages, at approximately



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\$11.50 per hour, and Social Security/Medicare payments and Health/Disability/Life and Retirement payments starting April 1, 2001?

Salary \$17,940

Soc.Sec. \$ 1,373

Benefits \$ 8,487

(Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee)

[Intent: This position will be trained to support a variety of disciplines within the Town Hall. This will include an expanded Internet presence, cable message channel, night-time meetings, etc.]

**Article P-6.** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,430 to increase the Town Clerk's salary by \$1,328 from \$29,505 to \$30,833? The additional \$102 is to cover the town payments to Social Security and Medicare.

(Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee)

[Intent: This amount represents an increase to the elected Town Clerk's salary, which can only be raised by Warrant Article. There has been no increase in this position since 1999.]

**Article P-7.** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,153 to increase the Treasurer's salary by \$2,000 from \$4,000 to \$6,000? The additional \$153 is to cover the town payments to Social Security and Medicare.

(Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee)

[Intent: This amount represents an increase to the elected Treasurer's salary, which can only be raised by Warrant Article. There has been no increase in this salary for the past 11 years and the increase in town size has added extensively to the duties]

**Article P-8.** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$990 to increase the Tax Collector's salary by \$919 from \$20,425 to \$21,344? The additional \$71 is to cover the town payments to Social Security and Medicare.

(Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee)

[Intent: This amount represents an increase to the elected Tax Collector's salary, which can only be raised by Warrant Article]

**Article P-9.** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,383 to increase each Selectmen's annual salary from \$1,000 to \$2,000? The additional \$383 is to cover the town payments to Social Security and Medicare.

(Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee)

[Intent: This amount represents an increase to the elected 5 member board of Selectmen's salary, which can only be raised by Warrant Article. The Selectmen's salary has not changed since March 1969]

**Article P-10.** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200,000 for the purpose of acquiring a replacement Communications Center Console and related equipment for the Police, Fire and Emergency Management Departments? The raising and appropriation of such funds are contingent upon the receipt of at least a 50% matching grant from the Federal Department of Justice. The maximum contribution from the Town will be \$100,000. This appropriation will not lapse through 2002 (RSA 32:7 IV). (Recommended by the Selectmen, Budget Committee and CIP Committee)

[Intent: To replace the existing communication center console, which was installed in 1987, with an analog/digital console that will be compatible with the County and State Law Enforcement Agencies. This article is contingent upon receipt of no less than a 50% matching grant from the Federal Department of Justice]

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**Article P-11.** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,000 for the purchase of five (5) Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) for Police Department cruisers and to include training of all appropriate personnel? (Recommended by the Selectmen, Budget Committee and CIP Committee.)

[Intent: To purchase five portable defibrillators to be installed in Police Department cruisers. These are used in emergencies to try to restart the heart beating in cases of a heart attack.]

**Article P-12.** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to Seacoast Health Net to provide health care to low income, working families who do not qualify for Government sponsored assistance and are unable to secure private health insurance? (Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee)

[Intent: To provide Human Services agency, Seacoast Health Net, funding to support their services. There are currently 20 residents of Plaistow enrolled in this program]

**Article P-13.** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to Greater Derry/Greater Salem Regional Transportation Council to provide transportation for the elderly, disabled and transit dependent residents? (Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee)

[Intent: To provide Human Services agency, Greater Derry/Salem Regional Transportation Council, funds to support their services. This agency projects 150 rides per year for Plaistow residents]

**Article P-14.** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to be added to the Conservation Fund? (Recommended by the Selectmen, Budget Committee, and CIP Committee.)

[Intent: To provide additional funding to the Plaistow Conservation Fund. The Conservation Commission intends to purchase land, easements and/or other land rights to preserve the natural environment. The fund balance as of October 2000 = \$18,125]

**Article P-15** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for the first year's payment toward the purchase of **a replacement loader for the highway department** and to authorize the selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement in the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000), representing interest and principal, payable over a term of five years at a rate of \$20,000 per year? Future payments will appear in the operating budget. Should the town, in future years, vote not to fund the payments, the equipment will be returned. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, the Budget Committee, and CIP Committee.)

[Intent: To enter into a five-year lease at \$20,000 per year for a replacement Loader for the Highway Dept. The total for the five years is \$100,000. The current loader is 16 years old and in need of significant repairs. This article is to inform the town of the request for payments in future budgets.]

**Article P-16** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,750 to make the first year's payment toward **three replacement police cruisers** and to authorize the selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement in the amount of Sixty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$68,250), representing interest and principal, payable over a term of three years at an annual rate of Twenty-Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$22,750)? Future payments will appear in the operating budget. Should the town, in future years, vote not to fund the payments, the equipment will be returned. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Budget Committee and CIP Committee.)

[Intent: To enter into a three-year lease at \$22,750 per year for a replacement of three Police Cruisers. The total for the three years is \$68,250. This article is to inform the town of the request for payments in future budgets.]



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**Article P-17.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,800 to lease a motorcycle again for the police department for one year. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen. Not recommended by the Budget Committee.)

[Intent: To re-institute the Police Department motorcycle program. This will be a seven-month lease.]

**Article P-18.** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to cover the Tax Collector and Town Clerk with health insurance benefits at the same rate as full time Town Hall employees in the Personnel Plan starting immediately after December 31, 2001? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.)

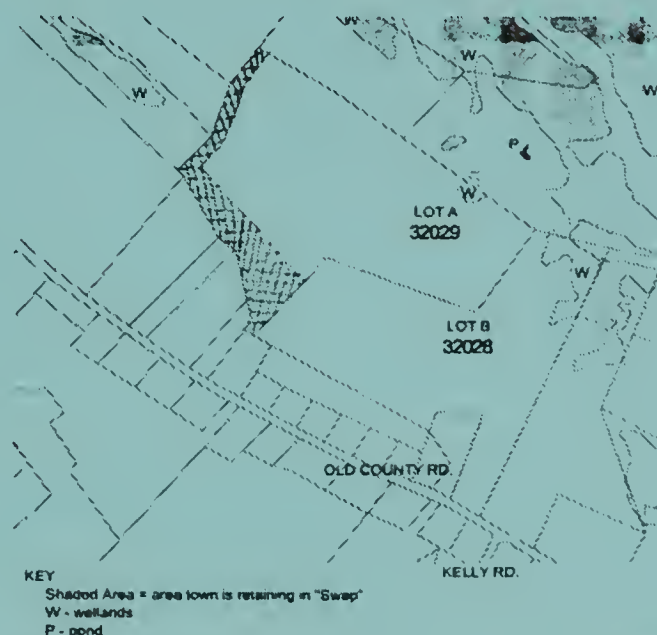
[Intent: This is designed to treat the Tax Collector and Town Clerk in a manner similar to other salaried town employees. Health Benefits cost the town approximately \$6,800 per year per employee for a two person plan.]

**Article P-19.** Shall the town vote to require that the Board of Selectmen, before disposing of real property, the title to which has been acquired by tax collector's deed, consult with all town boards and commissions? The boards and commissions will recommend whether or not the retention of such real property would be in the best interest of the town. (Submitted by the Conservation Commission. Recommended by the Selectmen.)

[Intent: To allow all the town boards and commissions to provide inputs to the Board of Selectmen regarding whether or not a piece of land acquired by the town via tax collector's deed is useful for conservation purposes prior to disposition of said property]

**Article P-20.** To See if the town will vote to "Swap" a landlocked parcel of land owned by the Town (currently approved for recreational purposes) containing 25.5 acres while retaining  $\pm$  3 acres to make the acreage equal (see shaded area of Lot A below), located off Old County Road, and identified as Map 32 – Lot 29, for a certain parcel of land containing 19.9 acres, located on Old County Road identified as Map 32 – Lot 28 (Lot B in diagram below); for the purposes of constructing an outdoor recreational facility. The owner has agreed to reclaim Lot B to State specifications before the deeds are exchanged. (Recommended by Board of Selectmen)

[Intent: The lot lines will be adjusted as needed to create an even land swap, and the town is getting a lot with site improvements including field surfaces completed up to seeding, and a gravel road and parking lot]





**Article P-21.** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a lease with the State of New Hampshire for court house space at the former site of the Library (Map 41 Lot 67) under the provisions of RSA 41:11-a for five years at a lease rate of \$36,800 per year for the first three years, \$41,800 for the fourth year and \$46,800 for the fifth year? (Recommended by Board of Selectmen.)

[Intent: To allow the court to stay in Plaistow and minimize the cost of officers going out of town if the court were located elsewhere.]

**Article P-22.** Shall the town accept the provisions of RSA 31:95-b providing that any town at an annual meeting may adopt an article authorizing indefinitely, until specific rescission of such authority, the selectmen to apply for, accept and expend, without further action by the town meeting, unanticipated money from a state, federal, or other governmental unit or a private source which becomes available during the fiscal year?

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen.)

[Intent: The law requires a public hearing with notice in the newspaper before any expenditure can occur. This will enable town groups to fund raise and to expend funds through the Selectmen.]

**Article P-23.** Shall the town vote to accept as submitted, the report of its agents, auditors and other officers and committees thereby appointed? (Recommended by Board of Selectmen)

**Article P-24.** Shall the town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a volunteer citizen committee to study, review, and request public hearings in order to present for adoption a conflict of interest ordinance on the 2002 town warrant. (Recommended by Board of Selectmen.)

**Article P-25.** Shall the town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen at its discretion to sell the town-owned property on Main Street at Map 41 Lot 11, also known as the Penn Box property, for price, terms and conditions which the Board of Selectmen deems to be in the best interest of the Town?

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen)

**Article P-26.** Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a purchase and Sale Agreement with Southern New Hampshire Services, Inc., a non-profit community action agency, for the purchase and sale of 7.55 acres of Town land (Map 41 Lot 11, a parcel fronting the former Penn Box manufacturing site at Main Street) at the price of \$700,000 (seven hundred thousand dollars) with 50% (fifty percent) due by May 1, 2001 for the development of up to 45 (forty-five) units of affordable senior housing for income-eligible persons 62 years and older?

(Petitioned by William Verge and others and amended at deliberative session.)

[Intent: Execution of this Agreement with the Board of Selectmen will be subject to Southern New Hampshire Services' successful application for federal and/or state funding and all necessary local approvals. If such funding is not secured by December 31, 2002, the Agreement will become null and void. Southern New Hampshire Services will make no funding request of the Town at any time and will make a Payment in Lieu of Taxes to the Town (RSA 72:23-k). The housing will be restricted to persons 62 years and older for not less than 40 (forty) years.]

**Article P-27.** To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to relocate an existing driveway easement across a lot described as Map 60 Lot 28 owned by the Town of Plaistow, which was granted March 14, 1991. The purpose of the easement is to gain access for a single-family home on a lot described at Map 60 Lot 25 owned by Richard and Charles

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Shepard. The location of the access easement should coincide with a proposed thirty-five (35) foot wide easement beginning at a point which is located N 2-23'- 48"E, Four hundred five feet and twenty-eight hundredths feet (405.28') from the southeasterly corner of Tax Map 60 Lot 28. Thence: N 2 23'- 48", thirty-five feet (35.00') to a point. Thence: S 87-36'-12'E, sixty-nine and forty-hundredths feet (69.40'), to a point. Thence: Southwesterly along a curve of an existing right of way, with a radius of three hundred twenty-five (325.00') and an arc length of thirty-five and six hundredths feet (35.06) to a point. Thence: N 87-36' 12"W, Seventy and fifty-three hundredths feet (70.53') to the point of the beginning.

(Petitioned by Peter Richards and others and amended at deliberative session)

**Article P-28.** Shall the town vote to do a study that all commercial and/or industrial leases of real property in excess of Five Thousand (5000) square feet, be recorded with the Town. Said study to be completed by November 1, 2001. (Petitioned by Richard Driscoll and others and amended at deliberative session)

[This article would assure that the commercial property owners would be assessed to the fair market value of their property and that the homeowners would not be unfairly singled out for yearly increases in assessed value and thus increased taxes.]

## ZONING ARTICLES

~~{Italicized and lined out text in brackets is text deleted by this proposed change}~~

**[Underlined bold text in square brackets is text added by this proposed change]**

**Article P-29.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

### Article II: Definitions

#### Section 200 Definitions

##### B5 Business

**d. Personal service business.** A business enterprise which holds the necessary state and local permits to operate an establishment in which state-qualified practitioners provide individuals with such manual or mechanical types of treatment to external surfaces of the human body as barbering, cosmetology, esthetics, electrology, body massage, and physical therapy ~~{and tattoo and body piercing establishments}~~.

Explanation: Change the wording of section 200, definition B5 by deleting any reference to tattoo and body piercing establishments. This change is consistent with the Selectmen's regulation passed in 2000.

### (RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)

**Article P-30.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

### Article III: General Provisions:

#### Section 300. General Provision

**300:1 One Building Per Lot.** Not more than one house or other principal building or principal structure shall be placed on a lot.



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- a) For CI, Industrial and ICR combined zones, more than one (1) principal building per lot may be constructed if the Planning Board finds that multiple buildings improve the general health, safety and welfare of the public.
- b) **[In the ICR the dwelling unit shall be occupied by the owner of the business.]**

Explanation: Add new section 300:1.b. This new section states that the combined use in the Integrated Commercial-Residential (ICR) zone may only be permitted when the owner lives on site. This was the intent of the combined use when it was originally proposed. Section b. was inadvertently omitted from the original change.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

**Article P-31.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

**Article III: General Provisions:**

**Section 300. General Provision**

**300:4 Non-Conforming Uses.** Any non-conforming uses may continue in their present use except that any non-conforming use or building may not be:

- a) Changed to another non-conforming use.
- b) Re-established after discontinuance for more than one year except to a use conforming to the district in which it is located;
- ~~c) {Extended or expanded except by special exception.}~~
- d) No junkyard may continue as a non-conforming use for more than one year after May 14, 1956, without having secured a special exception from the Board of Adjustment.

Explanation: Remove section 300:4.c. This section is being removed so an applicant would need to get a variance rather than a special exception. The requirements for a variance are much more stringent and provide better safeguards for non-conforming use expansions.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

**Article P-32.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

**Article IV: Wetlands Ordinance**

**Section 408. Minimum Lot Size**

Wetland areas may not be used to satisfy minimum lot size requirements. **[Upland areas being used to satisfy minimum lot size must be contiguous.]**

Explanation: Add a new sentence to section 408 (Minimum lot size). The new sentence states that all upland areas being used to satisfy soil and slope requirements must be contiguous. This will help eliminate lots that achieve the requirement by having several small areas of uplands separated by wetland areas.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

**Article P-33.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

**Article V: Establishment of Districts and District Regulations**



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**Table 504.1 “IND” Industrial**

**B. Uses**

Add: **[14. Mini-storage]**

Explanation: Add mini-storage as a permitted use in both Industrial and Commercial I zones. This change is in keeping with current practices but will serve to clarify that mini-storage is a permitted use. Note there are 2 Warrant articles - one to change the permitted Industrial uses and a second to change the permitted Commercial I uses.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

**Article P-34.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

**Article V: Establishment of Districts and District Regulations**

**Table 504.2 “CI” Commercial I**

**B. Uses**

Add: **[22. Mini-storage]**

Explanation: Add mini-storage as a permitted use in both Industrial and Commercial I zones. This change is in keeping with current practices but will serve to clarify that mini-storage is a permitted use. Note there are 2 Warrant articles - one to change the permitted Industrial uses and a second to change the permitted Commercial I uses.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

**Article P-35.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

**Article V: Establishment of Districts and District Regulations**

**Section 514. Location of Driveways**

514.1 All driveways are to be located at least seventy-five feet from a street intersection within the required frontage of the proposed lot for all uses **[and must comply with setback required in district.]** This measurement shall be taken along a street line.

Explanation: Add a new sentence to section 514.1 that requires driveways to meet zoning district setback requirements. This will prevent driveways from being too close to lot lines.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

**Article P-36.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

**Article VI: Planned Residential Development (PRD)**

**Section 601:2 Specific Design Requirements**

**g. PRD Lot Requirements**

Add subsection

**[(4) Accessory buildings shall not occupy front yard and shall be a minimum of (5) five feet from side and rear lot lines.]**

Explanation: Add a new subsection to section 601:2.g.4 that would not allow accessory buildings in front yards and be a minimum of 5 feet from rear and side lot lines. This applies to Planned Residential areas only and will help clarify where accessory buildings may or may not be placed.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

**Article P-37.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

**Article VII: Affordable Elderly Housing Community**

**Section 702. General Requirements**

~~{d. Residential density shall not exceed eight (8) bedrooms per 40,000 sq. ft. in medium density residential (MDR); a maximum density of twenty four (24) dwelling units per AEHC and a maximum of twenty five (25) percent two (2) bedroom units.}~~

[d. Number of Units (400-800 s.f.) shall be determined by septic site loading as approved by the Department of Environmental Services and the Town of Plaistow. Maximum of 25% (2) bedroom units.]

**Section 703. Design Requirements**

**703:1 Design Requirements**

c. Land area for an A.E.H.C. shall be not less than 40,000 sq. ft. which [may] ~~{does not}~~ include water bodies, wetlands, slopes over fifteen (15) percent.

d. Maximum lot coverage of ~~35%~~ [50%]

g. ~~{Building to building offset shall be 40 feet minimum for new construction.}~~

**Article V: Establishment of Districts and District Regulations**

**Section 500. Establishment of Districts**

**500:1** delete ~~{“AEHC” Affordable Elderly Housing Community}~~

**Table 504:4** delete entire table ~~{“AEHC” Affordable Elderly Housing Community}~~

~~{A. Objectives and Characteristics — (Amended 03/09/99)}~~

~~This district will allow for a commingling of single family or low density Multi family housing and affordable elderly housing near the center of town and services.}~~

**{B. Uses}**

~~{Permitted Uses}~~

- ~~{1. Single Family & Duplex Dwelling}~~
- ~~{2. A.E.H.C}~~
- ~~{3. Multi-Family housing in a PRD\*}~~
- ~~{4. Manufactured housing in a PRD\*}~~

~~{Allowed by Special Exemption}~~

- ~~{9. Nursing and Convalescent homes}~~
- ~~{10. Private Schools}~~
- ~~{11. Fraternal, service & charitable uses}~~
- ~~{12. Home Occupation}~~
- ~~Uses provided for in an “LDR District~~

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~~provided they are compatible with MDR uses.~~

~~{5. Private/Public non-profit recreation use {13. In Law apartment in owner occupied single family dwelling \*See Article VIII}~~

~~{6. Essential Services}~~

~~{7. Accessory uses}~~

~~{8. Churches}~~

~~{C. Areas and Dimensions:}~~

	<del>{Area (Ft<sup>2</sup>)}</del>	<del>{Frontage (Ft.)}</del>
<del>{1. Minimum Lot Size:}</del>	<del>{40,000}</del>	<del>{150' or for back lot, 150' average (front and rear dim/2) at the front building line, a minimum of 50' on the road.}</del>
<del>{2. Density (AEHC)}</del>	<del>{8 bedrooms per 40,000 ft<sup>2</sup>}</del>	
	<del>{Front **}</del>	<del>{Side} {Rear}</del>
<del>{3. Minimum Yard Dimensions (Ft)}</del>	<del>Refer to</del>	<del>Table 504.9</del>
<del>{4. Maximum Lot Coverage (Percent):}</del>	<del>{35 for AEHC use &amp; 20 for all other uses}</del>	
<del>{5. Maximum Height:}</del>	<del>{45 Feet or 3 stories, whichever is less}</del>	

~~{\* Properties fronting on a state highway shall provide for an additional 30' setback. Properties facing on a designated Collector Road shall provide for an additional 20' setback.}~~

Explanation: There are several specific changes that are listed but they all bring our Elderly Housing ordinance in line with current practices while still insuring the housing remains for the elderly. The changes do allow the density of elderly housing complexes to be greater than the density permitted for single family residences and increases the lot coverage to 50 % (up from 35%). Article VII of the Zoning Ordinance redefines AEHC. The proposed changes to Article V of the Zoning Ordinance would eliminate the AEHC as an overlay zone and permit elderly housing in any residential zone. Previously the AEHC zone was restricted to a small area in the center of town.

**(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

**Article P 38.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 10 as proposed by PETITION of 36 CITIZENS of the Town of Plaistow for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amending Article III 300:14 paragraph b. "Motor Vehicular & Trailer Sales" as follows:  
Replace Paragraph "b" which currently states:

"No lot used for vehicular dealerships in Commercial I District may be located any closer than one thousand (1,000) feet in any direction to any other lot used for a vehicular dealership".

With the following:

"Vehicular dealerships in a Commercial I District must be located a minimum of three hundred (300) feet away from any other vehicular dealership in the Commercial I District on the same side of the street or must be separated by an approved Town of State roadway."



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Explanation: Currently, the minimum frontage of a lot in a Commercial I District is one hundred and fifty (150) feet. This ordinance requires that there will be a town or state approved roadway or at least two lots with a minimum frontage of at least one hundred and fifty (150) feet each separating each vehicular dealership.

**(NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

*Article P-39.* Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 11 as proposed by the Planning Board to Renumber and Classify current zoning regulations for the purposes of orderly reference? **(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)**

Original warrant given under hands and seal of Board of Selectmen and posted the 24<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and One.

Michael L. Emmons, Chairman  
Merilyn P. Senter, Vice Chairman  
Charles L. Blinn, Jr.  
Robert J. Gray  
Carlene E. Sarty

Acct No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 31:4)	WARR ART. #	APPROPRIATIONS PRIOR YEAR AS APPROVED BY DRA	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES PRIOR YEAR	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive		175,548	195,388	180,787		180,787	
4140-4149	Election, Registration & Vital Statistics		82,552	76,547	92,147		92,147	
4150-4151	Financial Administration		156,166	146,324	151,714		151,714	
4152	Revaluation of Property							
4153	Legal Expense		33,000	27,077	33,000		33,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		330,177	331,100	404,749		404,749	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		69,195	62,712	70,798		70,798	
4194	General government Buildings		118,413	106,279	143,381		143,381	
4195	Cemeteries		14,415	9,434	11,565		11,565	
4196	Insurance		60,000	40,020	55,000		55,000	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc							
4199	Other General Government							
	PUBLIC SAFETY							
4210-4214	Police		964,615	991,361	986,480		986,480	
4215-4219	Ambulance		26,000	28,213	28,200		28,200	
4220-4229	Fire		203,700	188,460	277,785		277,785	
4240-4249	Building Inspection		87,260	81,988	73,331		73,331	
4290-4298	Emergency Management		3,545	2,095	3,545		3,545	
4299	Other Public Safety (Including Communications)							
	HIGHWAYS AND STREETS							
4311	Administration		150,300	133,229	158,022		158,022	
4312	Highways & Streets		199,250	177,354	222,050		222,050	
4316-4319	Street Lighting & Other		57,000	49,085	65,550		65,550	

	SANITATION							
4321-4323	Administration & Solid Waste Collection		495,000	459,781	538,471		538,471	
4324-4325	Solid Waste Disposal & Cleanup		5,300	5,200	7,800		7,800	
4326-4329	Sewage Collection & Disposal & Other							
	WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT							
4331-4332	Administration & Water Services		27,350	16,403	24,750		24,750	
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conservation & Other							
	ELECTRIC							



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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
4351-4352	Administration & Generation							
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance							
4355-4359	Other Electric Costs							
	HEALTH							
4411	Administration		22,274	21,189	23,439		23,439	
4414	Pest Control		11,600	11,612	9,444		9,444	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other		44,002	37,022	44,219		44,219	
	WELFARE							
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assistance		36,700	25,273	36,916		36,916	
4444	Intergov. Welfare Payments							
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other							
	CULTURE & RECREATION							
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		89,563	83,575	94,314		94,314	
4550-4559	Library		365,750	334,050	302,048		302,048	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		15,820	13,789	27,300		27,300	
	CONSERVATION							
4611-4612	Administration & Purchases of Natural Resources		5,039	3,411	4,768		4,768	
4619	Other Conservation							
4631-2	Redevelopment & Housing							
4651-9	Economic Development							
	DEBT SERVICE							
4711	Princ. - Long Term Bonds & Notes		265,000	265,000	190,000		190,000	
4712	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		104,620	104,565	76,506		76,506	
4723	Interest on TANs		20,000	0	20,000		20,000	
4970-4799	Other Debt Service							
	CAPITAL OUTLAY							
4901	Land & Improvements							
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment							
4903	Buildings							
4909	Improv. Other than Buildings							
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT							



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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
4912	To Special Revenue Fund							
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
	Sewer-							
	Water-							
	Electric-							
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund							
4916	To Expendable Trust Funds (except Health Maint. Trust Fund)							
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Fund							
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds							
4919	To Agency Funds							
	SUBTOTAL 1		4,239,154	4,027,537	4,358,079		4,358,079	

### SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as 1) petitioned warrant articles; 2) an article whose appropriation is raised by bonds or notes;

3) an article which calls for an appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; and 4) any article designated on the warrant as a special article or as nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

Acct No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	WARR ART. #	APPROPRIATIONS PRIOR YEAR AS APPROVED BY DRA	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES PRIOR YEAR	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS FOR ENSUING FISCAL YEAR	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	Highway Block Grant	P-3	113,246	113,246	123,593		123,593	
	Recreational Facility Capital Reserve Fund		50,000	50,000				
	Fund Fire Dept Capital Reserve	P-4	25,000	25,000	50,000		50,000	
	Communications Console	P-10			200,000		200,000	
	SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended		xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx	373,593	xxxxxxxxxxxxxx	373,593	xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

### INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Please note: "Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles", which are addressed below.

An example of an individual warrant article might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

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					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)							
Acct No.	Secretary	P-5			27,800		27,800	
	Town Clerk's Salary Increase	P-6			1,430		1,430	
	Treasurer's Salary Increase	P-7			2,153		2,153	
	Tax Collector Salary Increase	P-8	1,076	1,026	990		990	
	Selectmen's Salary Increase	P-9			5,383		5,383	
	Automated External Defibrillators (AED's)	P-11			23,000		23,000	
	Seacoast Health Net	P-12			2,000		2,000	
	Gr. Derry/Gr. Salem Regional Transportation	P-13			1,000		1,000	
	Conservation Fund	P-14			5,000		5,000	
	Highway Loader Lease Purchase	P-15			20,000		20,000	
	Police Cruiser Lease Purchase	P-16			22,750		22,750	
	Police Motorcycle Lease	P17			2,800			2,800
	Full-Time Firefighter/EMT Positions		45000	45,000				
	Town Hall Fire Alarm		22000	22,000				
	Town Hall Emergency Generator Install		10000	10,000				
	PSC & Hwy Garage Heating Grant		14,540	14,540				
	Full Time Maintenance Position		10000	4,640				
	Police Victim Witness Position		10000	4,760				
	Police Emergency Dispatcher Position		11,000	5,662				
	Police cameras (seizure funds)		18000	12,261				
	Police Radar Units LLEBG Grants		11,244	11,551				
	Police Teamsters Agreement		29827	29,827				
SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended			XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	114,306		111,506	2,800



Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr Art. #	Estimated Revenue Prior Year 2000	Actual Revenue Prior Year 2000	Estimated Revenue for Ensuing Year 2001
	<b>TAXES</b>				
3120	Land Use Change Taxes			0	
3180	Resident Taxes			0	
3185	Yield Taxes			112	
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes			0	
3189	Other Taxes			0	
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		100,000	70,047	100,000
	<b>INVENTORY PENALTIES</b>				
	<b>LICENSES, PERMITS &amp; FEES</b>				
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		3,000	5,409	3,000
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		850,000	1,171,927	1,100,000
3230	Building Permits		50,000	66,325	50,000
3230	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		35,000	77,614	80,000
3311-3319	<b>FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT</b>		46,119	34,937	46,119
	<b>FROM STATE</b>				
3351	Shared Revenues		50,000	38,686	56,000
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		50,000	182,385	80,000
3353	Highway Block Grant		113,246	113,246	123,593
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3358	Other (Including Railroad Tax, court lease)		45,816	49,930	45,816
3379	<b>FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS</b>		25,000	122,757	25,000
	<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES</b>				
3401-3406	Income from Departments		50,000	57,742	60,000
3409	Other Charges (cable TV, Water Dept.)		80,000	141,635	80,000
	<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>				
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		14,000	38,289	14,000
3502	Interest on Investments		80,000	150,111	60,000
3503-3509	Other (Gifts, Police, Health Ins., settlement)		80,000	168,672	80,000
	<b>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN</b>				
3912	Special Revenue Funds			7,663	

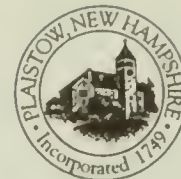


Acct. No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr Art. #	Estimated Revenue Prior Year 2000	Actual Revenue Prior Year 2000	Estimated Revenue for Ensuing Year 2001
3913	Capital Projects Fund			1,352,048	
3914	Enterprise Fund				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
3915	Capital Reserve Fund				
3916	Trust & Agency Funds (Library Trust Funds)		86,700		70,000
	<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>				
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amounts Voted from "Surplus"				
	"Surplus" Used in Prior Year to Reduce Taxes		250,000	450,000	250,000
	<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>		<b>2,024,881</b>	<b>4,299,535</b>	<b>2,268,528</b>

	Selectmen's Recommended Budget	Budget Committee's Recommended Budget
<b>BUDGET SUMMARY</b>		
SUBTOTAL 1 Recommended (from page 4)	4,358,079	4,358,079
SUBTOTAL 2 "Individual" warrant articles (from page 4)	114,306	111,506
SUBTOTAL 3 Special warrant articles as defined by Law (from page 4)	373,593	373,593
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	4,845,978	4,843,178
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues (Exclusive of Property Taxes) ( from above)	2,268,528	2,268,528
Amount of Taxes To Be Raised	2,577,450	2,574,650

Maximum allowable increase to Budget Committee's  
Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18

\$5,289,845



## **EMERGENCY – POLICE & FIRE .....911**

### **TOWN HALL OFFICES**

**145 Main Street  
Plaistow, NH 03865**

#### **Telephone Numbers:**

Town Hall	382-8469
Town Hall Fax:	382-7813
Animal Control	382-8144
Historical Society	382-1675
Public Library	382-6011

### **FITGERALD SAFETY COMPLEX**

**27 Elm Street  
Plaistow, NH 03865**

#### **Telephone Numbers:**

Civil Defense	382-5847
Fire Department	382-8512
Fire Permits/Inspections	382-5012
Police Department	382-1200
Family Mediation	362-9957

### **HOURS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Town Offices: Monday thru Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Assessor: Monday & Wednesday 8:00am to Noon, Tuesday & Thursday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Human Services: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Tax Collector: Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Town Clerk: Monday 8:30 am to 7:00 pm and Tuesday thru Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Public Library: Monday thru Thursday 9:00 am to 8:30 pm, Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm and  
Saturday 9:00am to 2:00 PM

### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Michael L. Emmons, <i>Chairman</i>	382-7739
Merilyn P. Senter, <i>V. Chairman</i>	382-6074
Charles L. Blinn, Jr.	382-4975
Robert J. Gray	382-5298
Carlene E. Sarty	382-7826

### **TIMBERLANE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Pollard Elementary School: Principal Henry Fardella	382-1746
Timberlane Middle School: Principal Gil Johanson	382-7131
Timberlane High School: Les Murray	382-6541
Superintendent of Schools: Dr. Douglas MacDonald	382-6119

### **2001 CURBSIDE TRASH & RECYCLING HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

Curbside Trash is picked up on a weekly basis. Recycling is picked up on a bi-weekly schedule.  
Curbside trash & recycling will be delayed one day, due to the following holiday observances:

<i>New Year's Day</i>	January 1 <sup>st</sup>	<i>President's Day</i>	February 19 <sup>th</sup>
<i>Memorial Day</i>	May 28 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Independence Day</i>	July 4 <sup>th</sup>
<i>Labor Day</i>	September 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Columbus Day</i>	October 8 <sup>th</sup>
<i>Veteran's Day</i>	November 12 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Thanksgiving Day</i>	November 22 <sup>nd</sup>
<i>Christmas Day</i>	December 25 <sup>th</sup>		



